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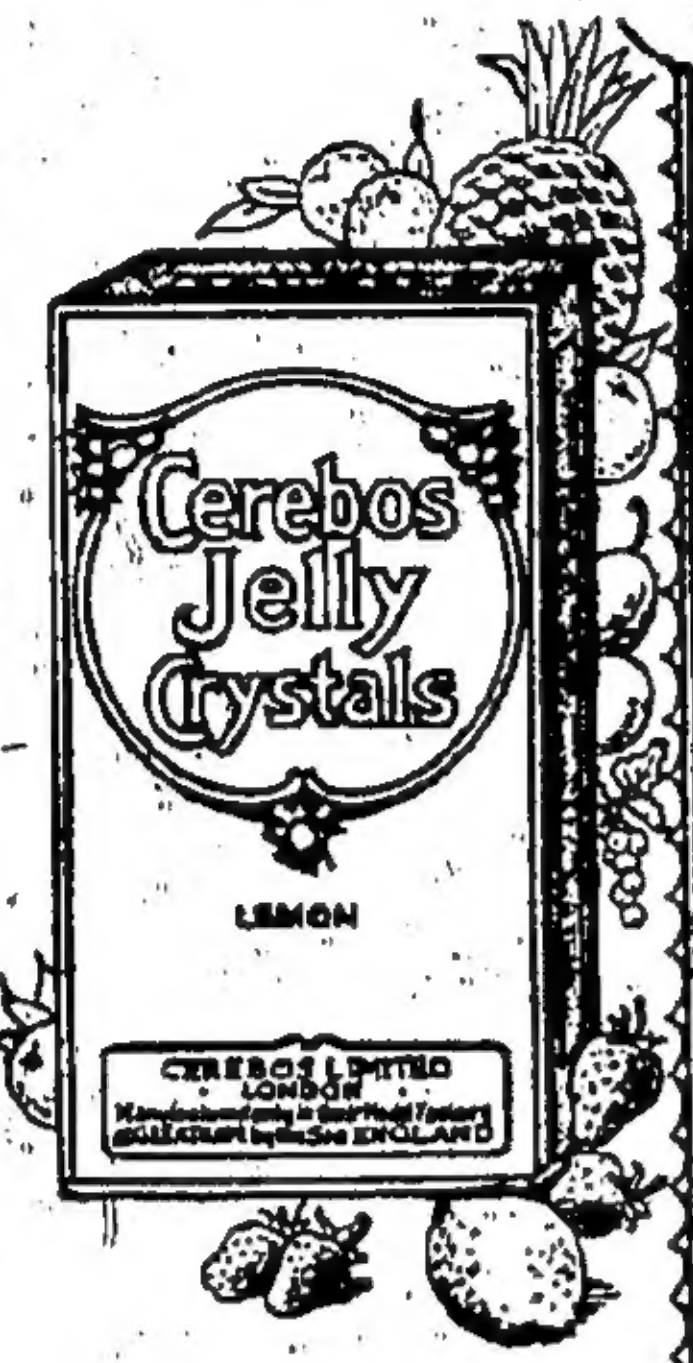


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Colony's Position Vis-A-Vis The British Empire

ANOTHER CHAPTER FROM COMMISSION'S REPORT

"Hong Kong's Position vis-a-vis the British Empire" is the title of the following chapter which we extract from the report of the Mission appointed by His Excellency the Governor Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., "to enquire into the causes and effects of the present trade depression in Hong Kong and make recommendations for the amelioration and for the improvement of the Trade of the Colony."

It says: In the last chapter we viewed the economic position of the Colony as related to China. Here we will take into consideration the fact that Hong Kong is a part of the British Empire.

In relation to the rest of the Empire Hong Kong is geographically minute. Nevertheless, it contains the fifth largest port in the world.

As far as Trade Figures can depict the position the following are of interest. In 1932 the total shipping tonnage entering and clearing the Port of Hong Kong was 43,824,906 tons. Of this 20,414,218 tons or nearly half, was British. In 1933 the total tonnage entering and clearing was 37,698,985 tons. 19,553,462 tons of which was British. Again the British tonnage was about half of the total.

Taking 1933, the last year for which complete figures are available, the total imports into the Colony including treasure amounted to \$539,052,048. Of this \$98,328,141 worth, or a little less than one-fifth came from the British Empire.

Of a total export in 1933 of \$537,224,754, \$110,510,358 worth was exported to the British Empire. This figure again represents about one-fifth of the total.

IMPORTS & EXPORTS

It must be remembered that not more than about one-tenth of the imports are consumed in the Colony and that probably less than one-tenth of the exports are produced in the Colony. The remainder represents goods in transit for which Hong Kong is a suitable financial centre, place of storage, and port of ocean shipment. Hong Kong gains this business (a) because of its excellent harbour and (b) because of the cheapness of its facilities. Addition to the cost of the entrepot trade will tend towards a decreased use of Hong Kong, while conversely a cheapening of facilities will enhance its value to that trade. In a manufacturing business the economic use of by-products tends to decrease the cost of manufacture of the principal product. In a similar manner, the fostering of economic activities subsidiary to the main business of the entrepot trade of the Colony of Hong Kong will tend to decrease the cost of that business. The effect of a decrease in costs may, in normal times be an increase in volume.

The above enunciated principle applies, of course, to all activities which may be considered subsidiary to the main business of the Colony, such as wireless and cable communications, the development of aviation, the development of the tourist traffic, and such development of industries as is possible. In this chapter we consider the matter from the industrial point of view.

We realised that no deliberations, having as their aim an amelioration of the existing position and the improvement of the trade of the Colony, would be complete unless we examined the possibility of Hong Kong attaining a closer economic contact with the rest of the British Empire. This question involved an examination of the Imperial Preference Policy which dates from the Ottawa Agreement of 1932.

THE S. S. REPORT

We were extremely fortunate in the fact that early in the course of our meetings the Report of the Straits Settlements Economic Commission was published. With regard to Imperial Preference the position of the Straits Settlements is similar to that of Hong Kong. We have, therefore, taken advantage of that excellent report to which we acknowledge our indebtedness and from which we freely quote in this chapter.

As stated in the Straits Settlements report the object of the policy adopted at Ottawa was Imperial Co-operation, the rationalisation of agricultural and manufacturing production and the safeguarding of markets. For this purpose the Empire falls into three categories—the United Kingdom, which is the industrial centre; the Dominions and India, which export the higher classes of food-stuffs and raw materials and have also entered into the industrial field in competition to some extent with the United Kingdom; and the Colonies, whose main function is to export produce and whose manufactures are on the whole negligible. It is obvious, therefore, that it would not be in keeping with Imperial policy to encourage additional manufacturing production in the Colonies for world markets which could more reasonably be supplied by the United Kingdom or the Dominions (including India). The term "world markets" is used advisedly as there are likely to be local markets of a limited nature in the neighbourhood of most Colonies which can most suitably and economically be met by local production as a natural expression of the economic life of the community.

Now while the above truly applies to the British Empire as a whole and while the position relating to Colonies is indeed consonant with the conditions obtaining in practically all the Colonies of the Empire, it does not in particular apply to Hong Kong. It is not

Hong Kong's main function to export produce, and with 25% of the working population engaged in industry its manufactures cannot be said to be negligible. For the rest, Hong Kong has practically no raw materials or agricultural production for export, and its main activities are devoted to importing and exporting goods originating from outside its borders; and the shipping, financial, professional, and technical services relating to that commerce. Hong Kong's position in the British Empire may therefore be regarded as unique. Inasmuch as it is unique we are unanimously of the opinion that in all matters of Imperial Policy the Colony should be given careful individual consideration. Inasmuch as it is by necessity, and for the general welfare of the trade of the Empire passing through its portals, a Free Trade entrepot, and can therefore afford but little Empire Preference, we consider that the rest of the Empire should whenever at all possible accord it such treatment as will enable it to prosper and continue to afford its splendid facilities at the cheapest possible rate.

That there is a tendency not to accord Hong Kong such treatment has been brought before us in evidence relating to specific industries. There has for instance recently been a strong endeavour on the part of certain portions of the Empire for the imposition of restrictions on the Empire marketing of rubber shoes, the Empire content of which is high and could be higher if so desired. We have heard that rope manufactured in the Colony by a Company which commenced operation in the last century has been virtually excluded from one Empire market, fundamentally because it can sell its goods at a cheaper (but profit bearing) cost than that of goods emanating from other parts of the Empire. It is not gainsaid that good reasons may be produced to justify such action but when we take it that the broad line of policy is Imperial co-operation we feel that in respect of her services to Empire Trade and the small measure of preference she is able to afford to other parts of the Empire, some latitude should be allowed Hong Kong, especially during this time of great depression. It is plain to us that, if the reasonable prosperity of the Colony can not be maintained, the burden of taxation must become heavier, with a resultant increase in the charges on the grade of the port. We believe that the Empire will gain more by the maintenance of Hong Kong as one of the cheapest ports in the world than by adopting a policy calculated to suppress a reasonable development of her small industries.

THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE

At the Imperial Economic Conference at Ottawa in 1932 were present delegates representing Canada, The United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, The Irish Free State, India, The Union of South Africa, Newfoundland and Southern Rhodesia. In the United Kingdom delegation was included the Secretary of State for the Colonies and a Colonial Officer Adviser.

In the course of his initial speech at the Conference Mr. Stanley Baldwin said:—

"What then should be the first aim of this Conference? It should be to clear out the channels of trade among ourselves. For that purpose we need not measure too closely or too exactly the relative value of preferences given and received. If we all approach the problem with a view to seeing how much each can contribute to the common stock without detriment to our own national interests, we shall not need to concern ourselves with the relative advantages obtained by each, since we shall know that an increase in the purchasing power of any members of the Empire must show itself in the increased Imperial trade, and the prosperity of each will add to the prosperity of all."

"The present universal depression makes the extension and improvement of Imperial trade a matter of urgent importance to all parts of the Empire. The extension and greater activity of Empire trade is the most hopeful means of stimulating demand in the world markets and of restoring a sound level of wholesale commodity prices."

"When I speak of the Empire, I am thinking, not only of the Dominions and India, but also of the Colonies where a keen desire exists for mutual trade with the whole Imperial connection. Colonial territories are situated mainly in tropical latitudes, and they mostly produce food and raw materials, buying manufactures in return. In

recent months the Colonies have considerably extended both in range and area the preferences which have long been established as an important feature of policy, and their desire to play their part in fostering Empire trade is shown by the fact that these preferences are Empire wide."

"On our side the United Kingdom have recently granted further extensive preferences to the Colonies a decision justified on material as well as sentimental grounds, since capacity to buy must depend on ability to sell. The value of Colonial Trade to the United Kingdom is shown by the fact that the proportion of United Kingdom exports taken by the Colonial Empire, which amounted to 7 per cent in 1924, has risen in the first quarter of 1932 to 11 per cent. A similar tendency is shown by the figures of the trade between the Colonies and the rest of the Empire. In 1930 the Colonies sold to the United Kingdom goods valued at \$39,000,000 and to the rest of the Empire \$20,000,000, while during the same year they bought from the United Kingdom \$30,000,000 and from the rest of the Empire \$49,000,000. It is the desire of the United Kingdom to see trade between the Colonies and the Dominions and India still further increased. We cordially welcome such arrangements as the agreement between Canada and the West Indies which has conferred benefits on both, and we shall hope that our discussions in Ottawa may do much to open up possibilities of mutual trading between the tropical and temperate regions of the Empire."

"We have made during the last few months a very intensive examination of the trade of the whole Empire, in the endeavour to find how we can help both ourselves and you, for despite clashes of sectional interest here and there we believe that the prosperity of the United Kingdom and that of all the other parts of the Empire are intimately linked together."

The following resolution was adopted regarding Empire Content:—

"With regard to the determination of the percentage of Empire Content necessary to secure preferential tariff treatment, the Conference draws the attention of the several Governments of the Commonwealth to the importance of this subject, and recommends that each of the Governments of the Commonwealth should investigate as rapidly as possible, the standard of Empire Content which should be required by them for the import under preferential rates of the different classes of goods, bearing in mind the following principles:—

(a) That though it must rest with each Government to decide what standard it will require, a greater degree of uniformity through the Commonwealth is desirable;

(b) the standard required should not be such as to defeat or frustrate the intention of the preferential rate of duty conceded to any class of goods."

The following resolutions were adopted concerning Industrial Co-operation:—

"This Conference, having examined the Report of the Imperial Economic Committee on Imperial Industrial Co-operation, finds itself in general agreement with the tenor of the Report."

"The Report makes it clear that industrial production has developed and will continue to develop in the less industrialised parts of the Commonwealth. These developments involve changes in the economic structure both of the more industrialised and of the less industrialised countries; and this Conference notes with approval the view of the Committee that the object of co-operation is not, and must not be, to arrest change, but wisely to direct and facilitate its course."

"It should, in the opinion of the Conference, be the subject of any policy of industrial co-operation within the Commonwealth to secure the best division of industrial activities among the several parts of the Commonwealth and the ordered economic development of each part, with a view to ensuring the maximum efficiency and economy of production and distribution."

"It is further the view of the Conference that the precise nature and extent of the co-operation to be achieved in any particular industry must largely depend upon effective consultation between those engaged, or proposing to engage, in that industry in any two or more parts of the Commonwealth."

"The Conference therefore recommends to the various industries in which conditions are suitable

for the purpose, the desirability of making arrangements for such consultation at the earliest possible date; but it records its belief that such consultation, to be fully effective, should be conducted between responsible persons or bodies adequately representative of the industry in each part of the Commonwealth concerned."

"The Conference further recommends that the Governments concerned facilitate and assist such consultations by all available means."

"The Conference further recommends that, without prejudice to their liberty to determine their own general economic policies, the Governments of the Commonwealth should give sympathetic consideration to any proposals which may be put before them by responsible parties representing similar industrial interests in the parts of the Commonwealth affected. In this connection the Conference would draw attention to the importance of taking into consideration the interests of other parts of the Commonwealth which might be affected by such proposals."

In the agreement between the United Kingdom and Canada it was agreed that Hong Kong should afford Canada a preference of 20% on Motor Cars. It is not clear that whether Canada affords Hong Kong any effective preference in exchange for this. (Ottawa Conference Blue Book, Art. 19—page 22, and schedules E and F.)

In the agreement between the United Kingdom and Australia it was agreed that Hong Kong should afford Australia a preference on Brandy.

It is not clear whether any effective preferences are accorded to Hong Kong by Australia except in regard to ships. (Ottawa Conference Blue Book Art. 15—page 43, and schedules F and G.) Even in regard to ships the effectiveness is doubtful.

In the agreement between New Zealand and the United Kingdom there appears to be no arrangement affording any effective preferences between Hong Kong and New Zealand.

The above paragraph also applies to the agreements between the United Kingdom and South Africa, Newfoundland and India.

In the agreement between the United Kingdom and Southern Rhodesia it was provided that Hong Kong should afford a preference to Southern Rhodesia tobacco. There appears to be no arrangement affording any effective preference to Hong Kong.

In all these agreements there is provision to the effect that preference afforded by Hong Kong to one part of the Empire shall be accorded to all other parts of the Empire.

COLONY'S NATIONAL MARKETS

While the national markets for Hong Kong manufactures are the adjacent countries, such as China, The Netherlands East Indies, French Indo-China, the Philippines, etc., the policy of national economic sufficiency adopted in those countries resulting in high protective tariffs, either excludes Hong Kong or affords it precarious, unreliable, and dwindling markets. As things are at present it seems that there is little or no hope of compensation for the exclusion from these foreign markets by entry on favourable terms into Empire markets. It is true that under the Ottawa Agreements Canada and New Zealand accord the same preferences to imports from the Colonies as to those from the United Kingdom. It appears from evidence which we have heard, however, that Canada is inclined to impose restrictions on Hong Kong produce. The other Dominions and India afford Hong Kong little or no preference.

The conclusion we have come to is that while Hong Kong might reasonably expect some consideration from the rest of the Empire, we cannot expect sufficient preference to enable the Colony to manufacture on any large scale for the purpose of supplying Empire markets. We can expect from the Empire that there should be no further restriction and that such preference as is accorded should not be rendered nugatory by means of dumping taxes or high valuations for purposes of duty. We are convinced that Hong Kong as a free trade channel is of benefit to the Empire, and that the Colony deserves consideration on that account but, as stated in the last chapter, we believe that Hong Kong's economic value is more closely related to South China and that such industrialisation as may be possible in the Colony should be a part of the economic development of South China as a whole.

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THE TRADE INQUIRY

(Continued from Page 2.)

We considered the question as to what Hong Kong could give to the Empire in exchange for preferences enabling Hong Kong to market her goods therein. We refer anyone greatly interested in the subject to Chapters 51 to 53 of the Singapore's Commission's Report. The following is a quotation from Chapter 51:—

"To implement this policy as between itself and the Crown Colonies and Protectorates, the United Kingdom exempted Empire goods satisfying the prescribed conditions from the duties imposed by the Import Duties Act, 1932, and imposed duties on a number of new articles, Empire goods again being excepted, by the preference goods must be shown to have been consigned from and grown, produced or manufactured in a part of the British Empire. For manufactured articles to be entitled to preference the general rule is that not less than 25 per cent. of their value must be derived from materials grown or produced, or from work done, within a part of the British Empire. There are certain exceptional cases where a different percentage is admitted, and the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire at its Thirteenth Congress in 1933 urged the adoption of a minimum ratio of 50 per cent. and a greater approach to uniformity. So far this proposal has not been approved."

The Crown Colonies and Protectorates were invited to reciprocate by giving preference to goods manufactured in the United Kingdom, but there was no attempt at compulsion and the invitation was to be governed by the tariff policy of the Colony. The present tariff policy of Hong Kong is "Free Trade" and generally speaking we strongly feel that it should not be altered. We discard sentiment, however, and think that if it could be shown in respect of any one commodity that it can be economically produced in the Colony, that an import tax would be a clear advantage to the Colony as a whole, and that such taxation would not interfere with the export trade and would not invite retaliation, there is a bias in favour of affording the manufacturer of that commodity in the Colony some protection. In the evidence which has been placed before us and during our own deliberations, however, we have been unable to discover any article of manufacture which fulfils all these conditions.

Even if the Colony were to adopt forms of protection, these could only apply in respect of goods consumed within the Colony, the whole of which is only about 10 per cent. of Hong Kong's total imports. To give Empire Preference on such proportion of the imports as is consumed in the Colony would not, as regards the vast majority of commodities, be of sufficient benefit to Empire countries to warrant reciprocation. Only in respect of one commodity, Motor Vehicles, can we perceive that Hong Kong can accord a preference which is really beneficial and in respect of which the United Kingdom and Canada can be expected to reciprocate. It must be remembered, however, that Hong Kong is a Crown Colony, and as such purchases through its Crown Agents, large quantities of goods and materials from the United Kingdom, which is a form of preference. It should also be noted that the public utility companies in the Colony make a practice of buying their goods from the United Kingdom.

We finally come to the position that in order to invite the Empire to give Hong Kong further preferences, it would seem that Hong Kong must be prepared to give the Empire some advantages and it is difficult to see how this can be done in a manner sufficiently attractive to the Empire unless Hong Kong abandons the Free Trade policy. The maintenance of the entrepot trade of the Colony which is of great value to the Empire, depends in our opinion, on the continuance of the Free Trade policy. For this reason we would reiterate our plea for special consideration from those parts of the Empire which are apt to adopt the policy of keeping out Hong Kong products.

(To be Continued)

Difficult

According to a correspondent, Paraguayans are wondering what they are fighting Bolivia for. It is not that they are worrying, it seems, but strangers have started asking questions.

FIFTY LIFE PEERS

Lord Rockley's Plan Revealed

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, April 3.

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Lord Rockley, who was formerly Sir Evelyn Cecil, M.P. for Aston, Birmingham, was elevated to the Peerage last year.

HAIL "TELEVIEWER"

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Mr. Black is famous for his wonderful flight to Australia with Mr. C. Scott in connection with the Melbourne Centenary. While he was in Australia, his engagement to Miss Desmond was rumoured. On his return it was verified, but just over a fortnight ago it was stated that the engagement had been broken.

The wedding ceremony was planned less than a week ago, and C. B. Cochran, under whose management Miss Desmond has so often appeared, gave her away. She made a charming bride in her simple wedding dress of soft ivory satin. The demure turned-down collar at the neck was held with a bunch of jasmine flowers, and similar flowers were clustered on her cap of tulle, which secured her tulle veil. The long skirt of the dress was arranged to form a train. There were no bridesmaids. Archdeacon Lambert officiated, and with the bridegroom as his best man was his brother, Mr. Frank Black.

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May	86.2	68.8	67.7	70.7	73.1	73.1
June	88.0	66.6	64.7	70.1	70.1	70.1
July	80.8	64.7	63.2	67.8	68.9	68.9
August	82.1	61.8	69.6	65.9	70.7	70.7
September	81.4	73.0	71.4	67.8	70.3	70.3
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Music In The Air

Away up in the Bavarian mountains in the village of Eberndorf, a lovely old musician, Dr. Lessing, composes some lulling tunes which he feels he could get his old friend Weber to publish.

Weber lives at Munich, and it is through the generosity of the villagers that the composer and his pretty daughter, Sieglinde, are able to make the long journey.

It is agreed that Karl, Sieglinde's boy friend, should meet them in the publisher's office a few days later.

Their arrival coincides with a first-class crisis in the Munich stage world. The musical director of the new opera which is soon due for production cannot get the score orchestrated, and the prima donna, Frieda, is in a temperamental battle with Bruno, her leading man.

Frieda, seeing the good-looking Karl in the publisher's office, determines to capture his affection in order to spite Bruno.

Meanwhile Weber is enchanted with Dr. Lessing's songs, and agrees to include some of them in the new production.

Bruno turns to Sieglinde for consolation. He is much attracted by the little mountain girl's freshness and beauty.

So develops a love tangle with Frieda persuading Karl to stay on at Munich, where the doctor has also been persuaded to remain so that he can write more music for the opera.

Bruno, his relations with Frieda now having reached breaking point, induces Sieglinde to sing the leading role in the prima donna's place.

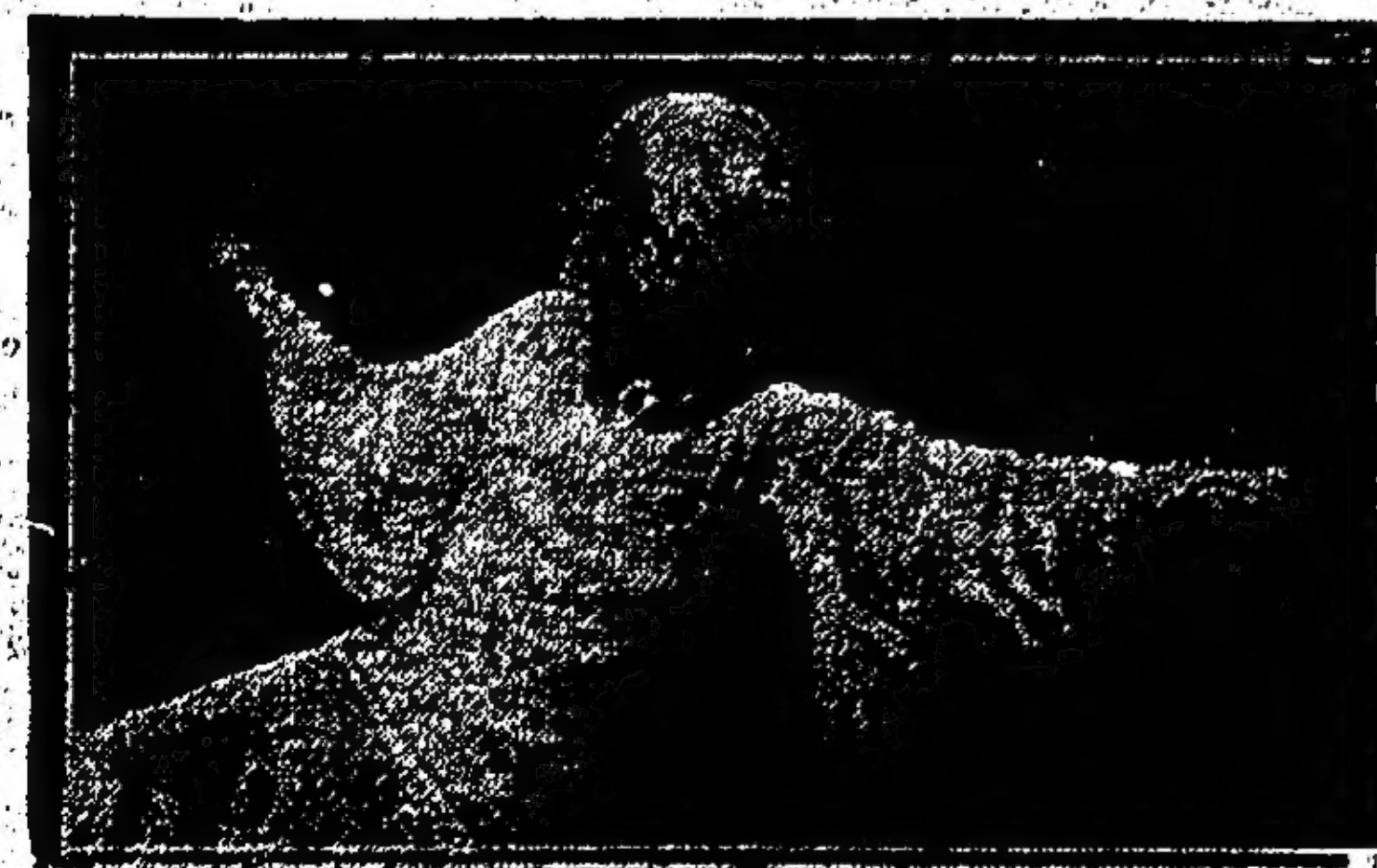
Directly Sieglinde starts rehearsing, it becomes obvious that she is not competent to play the role, although everyone is afraid of saying so.

Meanwhile the musical director has been secretly coaching Frieda in the part.

Finally Weber tells Dr. Lessing that neither he nor his daughter have enough experience; so they go back to their mountain village, dejected and disillusioned, where they find a penitent Karl.

On their arrival the delighted villagers give them a great reception. Dr. Lessing's music has after all been included in the opera, and he hears it over the radio set which has been installed in his honour.

While it is being played, two pairs of lovers are reunited, one on the stage of the Munich Theatre, and the other in the Eberndorf moonlight.



GLORIA SWANSON returns to the screen in the chief featured role of "Music in the Air," Fox Film's screen version of the Kern-Hammerstein musical hit. Gloria brings to the film all her old dash and sparkle—as well as a remarkable singing voice.



JUNE LANG, rated as Fox Film's most important screen discovery of the year, has an important featured role with Gloria Swanson, John Boles and Douglass Montgomery in the gay musical romance "Music in the Air."



DOUGLASS MONTGOMERY has an important role in Fox Film's notable screen operetta "Music in the Air," described as a joyous romance with an unexcelled score.

FLICKERS FROM HOLLYWOOD

Carl Brisson, star of Paramount's *All The King's Horses*, has been in a railway train but once in the last ten years!

Mae West, whose new picture *How Am I Doin'?* will shortly be seen here made her first appearance at a church social gathering when she was five years old!

W. C. Fields, the Paramount comedian, learned to juggle with apples that he "acquired" from a grocer's shop.

Charlie Ruggles is the owner of the largest collection of pipes in Hollywood.

Wendy Barrie, recently signed by Paramount, was born in Hong Kong, educated in Switzerland and made her film debut in England.

Jack Oakie's mother is the only one who can make him stop clowning.

Grace Bradley, featured in Paramount's *Stolen Harmony*, recently received a large fortune from her grandfather.

DISLIKED THE PICTURES

Then Changed His Mind

A couple of years ago a slender, shy and retiring young man named John Beal left Broadway for Hollywood, and he didn't think he'd like it much.

To-day the same young man, still shy and not quite so retiring, finds his name plastered all over the nation's screens as Katharine Hepburn's leading man in the RKO Radio Pictures production of Barrie's *"The Little Minister."*

He's still in Hollywood, and he likes it a lot better. In fact, John Beal is about as well set in pictures now as any young actor can be. His performance as Gavin Dishart in the Hepburn picture made him very popular on the RKO Radio lot, and his bosses there gave him a long-term contract. The young man is now busily playing the leading role in Gene Stratton-Porter's romance, *"Laddie."*

Beal is one of those fellows who set out to be an actor in college, and succeeded. He was a Mask and Wig player at the University of Pennsylvania, and lit out for Broadway as soon as they handed him his sheepskin.

Sincere Actor

His first big Broadway success was in *"Another Language,"* and he went to Hollywood to make the film version of that folk comedy. So little did he like the movie set-up that he is said to have spurned chances to play Laurie in *"Little Women,"* and the role opposite Anna Sten in *"Nana."* Hollywood just couldn't believe it, but Beal went right on spinning.

But he reconsidered, after a while, and went back to Hollywood. There he made *"Hat, Coat and Glove"* for RKO Radio, and this time, when asked, he took another part—Gavin Dishart in *"The Little Minister."* Robert Edeson, among others, played the part opposite Maude Adams, and what was good enough for Edeson was evidently good enough for Beal.

This is the part that put him over, contract and all, and he's a fixture at RKO for some time to come. He is a fine, sincere, able young actor, and they're lucky to have him on the lot. He's doing all right, too.

His contract provides that he can have time off for an occasional Broadway show, which pleases him greatly. With his young wife, Helen Craig, an actress with whom he once tramped, Mr. Beal seems to have settled down to the peaceful life of a lad who made good in Hollywood.

And that's the shy young man who went west under protest just a couple of years ago, didn't like it much, and ran away again!

THE LITTLE MINISTER

CHAPTER TWO

Dinner was as dull as she knew it would be. She scarcely listened to the conversation till she heard them discussing the recent uprisings in the village. The manufacturers, who bought the cloth woven in the homes of the villagers had reduced the price, and it was a serious loss to these poor people, whose weaving, Barbara knew, was their entire livelihood. They had chased out a band of soldiers come to discipline them. Now the Captain was laying plans to capture the ring-leaders and take them to jail.

Lord Rintoul was saying: "Yes, but you must be careful. I do not think they intend to be easily caught. I have reason to believe they have been making preparations of some kind."

"Preparations! Ah!" The Captain refilled his glass of port with a flourish which expressed his contempt for the villagers. He was much gratified to see that Barbara appreciated his intelligent grasp of the situation, for she questioned him eagerly. He would have been less gratified to know that late that night, when he was with his men giving them their last orders, she was down in the very village he proposed to outlaw.

As Babble the Gypsy, Barbara had made friends in Thrums. She knew about their pathetic hopes and fears. She was determined not to let them suffer for having provoked the wealthy manufacturers, for she felt the villagers were justified in their resentment.

Babble had had many a gossip, in particular, with the town's only policeman, who was glad of company on his rounds at night, and now she was making him tell what she wanted to know for special reasons of her own.

"Are you here in case the soldiers come this night?" she asked. "The soldiers? Losh preserve us! My heart's in the weavers' hall, but my dooty's in Thrums. Three blasts on the weavers' horn will loose a bee's nest in Thrums."

"Three blasts on what horn?" "The signal horn they hide in the Auld Mill. Everybody knows about it. Everybody but the Minister of the Auld Licht Kirk. He's a' for peace, so nobody tells him."

"You mean the little minister?" He quickly set her right. "It was not for the likes of this gypsy to speak with such familiarity of the minister. I mean the Reverend Mister Gavin Dishart who..."

Babble had disappeared. She was on her way to the Old Mill, slipping noiselessly through the shadows of Caddam Wood like a true gypsy child. She knew she must hurry, as the soldiers' raid was set for midnight. Hearing footsteps, she drew aside from the path, but it was too late. She had been seen, so she stepped out again, and began, in her best gypsy accent: "Oh—please, sir, dinna turn me over to the Shirra. I've lost my way."

It was the Little Minister who answered her, obviously touched by her distress, though any man, even a minister, might have paused to look at with her hair in curls over her shoulders, and her eyes alight with excitement: "Perhaps I can help you," he said kindly.

"Aye, sir, you can, sir. Tell me, where is the Auld Mill? I was to meet my sweetheart. I mean, sir, my father, and I came even find the place."

Gavin was frowning at her evasion of the truth, but he said, kindly enough, "I pass it on my way. I'll direct you."

They walked in silence while Babble sought for an opening. This man interested her. He had arrived only recently in the village, with his mother to mind for him the Auld Licht Manse. Yet already he was accepted and even beloved by the villagers who were usually much slower and infinitely more cautious to give their allegiance.

Babble had heard some amusing stories about him, and some not in the least amusing, but brave and fine. He had faced down Rob Dow, the village drunkard, a great hulk of a man who had cowed the previous insobriety now and had made himself changed him.

Babble was all sly servility as she ventured: "I—I take it you must be the new little minister. I heard them talk of." Had she known, she would not have been unkind; for Gavin was sensitive about his lack of height.

"Tut, the new minister he replied shortly, and then after a pause: "Do they say 'little minister'?"

"No, that was my fault it just popped out! But it was not meant to be uncomplimentary. You're just the size I like." She babbled on, refusing to be disturbed by his disapproving silence, though she knew well enough he was wondering whether his dignity should allow him to be out here with a gypsy. Finally, she got an answer when she said, "They say you're agin the weavers fighting the soldiers when they come."

"I'm against fighting," Gavin said in his pulpit voice. "Here's the mill."

Babble ran in. She found the big horn immediately, but she could not blow it. She came running out again to where he stood. "Oh sir! They're not here. But they've left the horn. It's our way of calling each other. They must be looking for me. Will you give me a blow?"

Gavin took the heavy, twisted ram's horn and blew a long blast on it.

"Oh, that was barely a toot. I dinna suppose you could blow it a wee bit louder? It takes a strong man to blow a lusty toot."

Gavin hastily took the horn, again and blew another blast, a long one. "There! They must have heard that!"

Babble clapped her hands delightedly: "Again!" she cried.

"That must suffice," he said, a little pompously.

"Oh, of course, if you're tired..." "Tired!" The little minister blew again, and the three signals were immediately answered by shouts from the village and the starting beat of a drum.

Gavin's expression of dismay and surprise at the results of his efforts almost made Babble pause. He really had been a dear, but she had things to do in the village, and flew off, throwing him a kiss as she sped, and loving the consternation with which he received the careless gesture. Precious few kisses in his life, she reflected. He was astonishingly unlike the men she had known, who took kisses much more casually.

She put a little hand on his reluctant arm and smiled flirtatiously at him. "Mr. Dishart, I do believe you've liked me all the time."

"Can a man like a woman against his will?"

"Of course he can. That is the very nicest way to be liked."

He bolted for the door and she called softly after: "Good night."

(To Be Continued)

THE ORIGINAL WINDSOR CASTLE

The oldest looking edifice in Hollywood is the Windsor Castle on the Paramount grounds. Even Viscount Byng of Vimy, who visited the studio was impressed by its look of antiquity.

But it did not look nearly old enough to please Cecil B. DeMille who is filming the castle for some of the scenes in *THE CRUSADES*.

"Give it some moss," he said. "Windsor Castle was old even in 1190."

And so an acre of moss was fetched piecemeal and fitted into the chimneys and crannies. Thus with the original Windsor Castle, residence of Richard the Lion-Hearted, be depicted on the screen.

FAMOUS RACE TRACK

The famous Palermo race track in Buenos Aires, one of the most beautiful in the world, will be seen in Mae West's new Paramount picture, *How Am I Doin'?*

Palermo is unique among race tracks in that it has a roof of a special kind of glass that admits the warmth of the sun, but shuts out the glare.

PLAYGROUND IN STUDIO

Paper dolls and tin soldiers do not usually appear in a film studio, but they were all over the place during the filming of Paramount's *THE BIG BROADCAST OF 1935*.

TO-DAY'S RADIO PROGRAMME

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WEDNESDAY

- 12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra (by courtesy of the Management).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
6-6.15 p.m.—Childrens' Studio Concert.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7-7.23 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.
Waltzes from Vienna—Selection Waldteufel Memories (arr. Finck).
At Dawning (Cadmán).
The Waltzing Doll (Földini).
A Little Love, a Little Kiss (Slesu).
Because (d'Harlelot).
7.28-7.45 p.m.—Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
Homeward Bound ("Songs of the Sea"—Stanford).
Drake's Drum ("Songs of the Sea"—Stanford).
Outward Bound ("Songs of the Sea"—Stanford).
A Jovial Monk am I (Andran).
The Admiral's Broom (Bevan).
7.45-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
No. 2—"Fanning at Easter" by a Resident.
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
8.03-8.20 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Pianoforte Recital by Marina Barretto.

Programme

- a. Fugue—Bach.
b. Etude (19)—Chopin.
c. Valse Bordone—Ravel.
d. Andalus—de Falla.
8.20-8.45 p.m.—Light Opera.
Vocal Gems—A Country Girl.
Selection—Les Cloches de Corneville (Planquette).
Vocal Gems.—Merrie England (German).
8.45-9 p.m.—A Cello Recital by Pablo Casals.
1. Aria (from Suite in D)—Bach.
2. Andante—Bach, arr. Sforzi.
3. Musette—Bach.
4. Mazurka, Op. 11, No. 3—Popp.
9-9.17 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Tales from the Vienna Woods (J. Strauss).
Blue Danube (J. Strauss).
Eva Waltzes (from the Operetta "Eva") (Lehar, arr. Schott).
Carmen Sylva—Waltz (Ivanovic).
9.17-9.30 p.m.—Organ Solos.
I Want to be Snappy—Sidney Torch.
One Kiss ("New Moon") (Romberg).
Lover, come back to me ("New Moon") (Romberg)—Reginald Foort.
9.30-10 p.m.—From the Studio.
Selections by "The Music Makers."
10 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins.
10.05-11 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra (by courtesy of the Management).
10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

BERLIN RADIO

- 9 p.m.—DJA, DJN Announcement (Germ., Engl.).
German Folk Song Programme Forecast (Germ., Engl.).
9.15 p.m.—The Best of German Songs of Spring. By the German Choral Union, Berlin.
9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
10 p.m.—"Aennchen von Tharau." A Song Play by Bruno Hardt-Warden and Hans Spirk. Music by Heinrich Strecker.
11 p.m.—The Life of Service. A Philosophical Dialogue.
11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA and DJN.
11.30 p.m.—Divertimenti No. 3 and 4 by W. A. Mozart.
Werner Döckhorn's Wind Choir.
12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
12.30 a.m.—Close down DJA, DJN (Germ., Engl.).

David Holt and Virginia Weidler, two children featured in the production, were responsible for the novelty. When they were not busy setting or studying their lessons, the two children were to be found in their corner of the set, where David was busily engaged in routing a whole regiment of soldiers, and Virginia clipping out entire families of paper dolls.

AT THE CINEMAS

Trade Notes

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES

With sixteen-year-old Anne Shirley given feature billing in the film version of the widely read novel "Anne of Green Gables," one of Hollywood's most colourful Cinderella legends becomes reality. It is showing at the King's Theatre to-day.

Anne Shirley, who was known as Dawn O'Day until she adopted the name of the character she portrays in "Anne of Green Gables," has earned a living for herself and her mother since she was fourteen months old. Hall bedrooms, tiny single apartments, long walks to studios, and constant planning to make one dollar do the work of two, marked her path to stardom.

Miss Shirley first stepped into the role of family breadwinner as a model for commercial advertisements of baby clothes. Her mother had taken her with her to a New York department store where a commercial artist asked that the baby be allowed to pose for his advertising illustrations.

When an Anne Shirley was sought for "Anne of Green Gables," George Nicholls, Jr., the director of "Finishing School," suggested that Dawn O'Day be tested for the part. Scores of Hollywood players were seeking the role, and hundreds of letters had poured in on the studio from other aspirants in all parts of the country.

To Dawn O'Day, the part meant not only the chance of a lifetime, but the opportunity to portray a heroine who had long been her favourite character of fiction. So when she was called to the studio for a test she felt as though life or death was the stake. The test was good; so good that she was called back to take another and longer one.

DOUBLE DOOR

"Double Door," the Paramount production opening to-day at the Queen's Theatre, tells the story of the Van Brett household. Victoria Van Brett, convincingly played by Mary Morris, great dramatic actress of the Broadway stage, takes the part of the iron-willed, erratic spinster who rules the destinies of the millionaire family. With her weaker, subservient sister, Anne Rivers, she seeks to destroy the romance between her half-brother and his beautiful young bride and goes so far as to attempt to murder her. Then in a gripping and fast-moving climax, her tyrannical grip is broken and fate takes a hand in bringing her life to a tragic end.

The young newly-weds are played by Kent Taylor and Evelyn Venable who have played together in four other successful pictures, and are known as one of the most well-teamed pair of lovers on the screen. Others in the cast include Sir Guy Standing, always dependable for a good characterization, and a few other good players.

MUSIC IN THE AIR

Something startlingly different in the way of musical pictures will be offered to the nation's picture theatre-goers in Erich Pommer's initial Fox Film production, "Music in the Air," according to all advance accounts. The film comes to the King's Theatre on Saturday.

In adapting it to the screen, Producer Pommer and his director, Joe May, not only retained all the laughable situations of the original, but, added many new ones that would have been impracticable in the stage version. Gloria Swanson and John Boles who are seen as a pair of highly temperamental and jealous operatic stars, are both famous for their comedy abilities, and the picture offers them their greatest opportunities in this field. Douglas Montgomery, who soared to stardom as a dramatic actor in "Little Man, What Now?" abundantly proved his talents as a comedian in earlier vehicles, and June Lang, Fox Film's "mystery girl," is hailed as a brilliant comedienne by those who have seen her "rushes" to date.

As a result "Music in the Air" bids fair to become the comedy hit of the season, as well as a triumph from a musical standpoint. Nine of the principal song-successes of the operetta are retained in the film, with Boles singing five of them, either as solos or in duet with Miss Swanson and the glamorous Gloria's voice, which she has been training steadily during her recent retirement from the screen, is said to be a sensation in itself.

THE LIVES OF A BENGAL LANCER

The centre of exotic cookery in the United States was, for a while, a little spot outside of Hollywood where Henry Hathaway directed a film troupe doing outdoor sequences for Paramount's "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer," now playing at the Central and Alhambra Theatres.

Gary Cooper, Sir Guy Standing and Kathleen Burke, enjoyed going the rounds to taste the geelabi and halwah, but they had to fetch along their own special plates. "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer," which was adapted from the book by Francis Yeats-Brown, is the largest and most daring spectacle ever attempted by Hollywood. Over four thousand extras and actors worked in the scenes of the picture and four years of work were required to bring it to the screen.

With Gary Cooper, Franchot Tone, Richard Cromwell and Sir Guy Standing playing the principal featured roles, the picture is a stirring account of the exploits and adventures of the world's most famous cavalry unit.

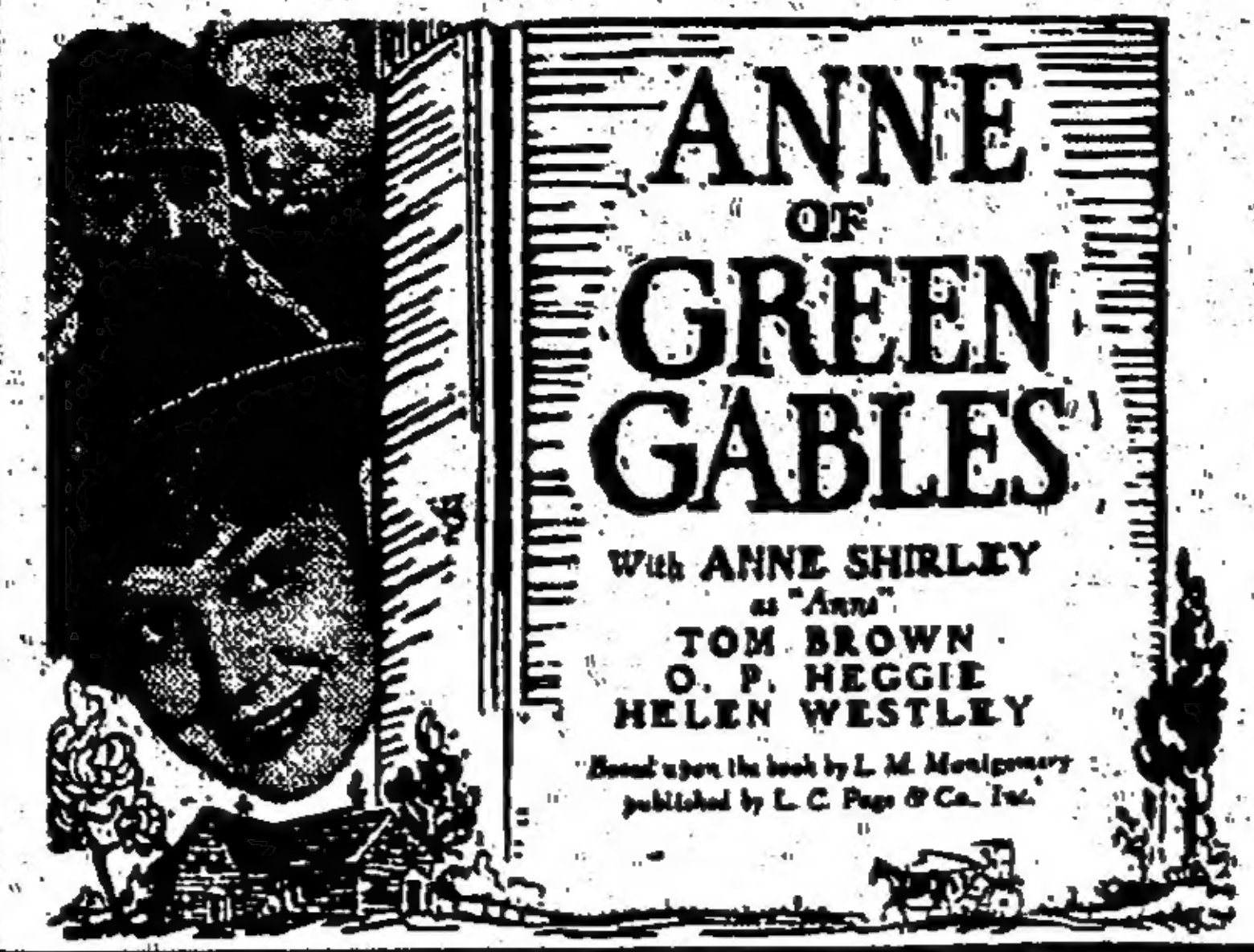
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A scene from "The River Side Murder" a Fox picture, showing The "Hong Kong Daily Press" used in the film.

THE GILDED LILY

Claudette Colbert's golden singing voice, object of many radio offers but heard only once before on the screen in "Torch Singer," is a feature of her new Paramount film, "The Gilded Lily," coming to the Central Theatre to-morrow.

With several numbers, written especially for her by Arthur Johnston and Sam Coslow, Miss Colbert's specialty is a song called "Something About Romance."

In "The Gilded Lily," from an original story by Melville Baker and Jack Kirkland, Claudette Colbert has two leading men, Fred MacMurray and Ray Milland, both comparative newcomers to the screen. C. Aubrey Smith, Edward Craven and George Bradley are in the supporting cast.

"The Gilded Lily" presents Miss Colbert as a hard-working stenographer with one ambition in life—to marry a poor man and strive with him. When she does fail, however, it is for a millionaire English nobleman in disguise. She learns the truth, turns him down and becomes overnight, the sensation of two continents as the "No. 1" girl.

DAVID COPPERFIELD

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's magnificent screen version of "David Copperfield," Charles Dickens' greatest and favourite novel, comes on Friday to the Queen's Theatre. Behind this announcement is a story of research and investigation, of unceasing effort, of faithful adherence to an ideal, almost without parallel in the history of motion pictures.

More than a year has elapsed since David O. Selznick, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer producer, first announced his plans to bring "David Copperfield" to the screen. What has been accomplished since that time is a story that proves how some movie producers take their jobs.

As it stands on the screen, the picture has no less than sixty-five stars and featured players in its tremendous cast. But behind each of those who appear on the screen are the united efforts of more than sixty men and women for each player—a total running into thousands.

"For when 'David Copperfield' first was chosen as a motion picture story, an international chain

of human machinery was set into action, gathering speed and momentum for a full year before ever a camera was turned on a single scene!

Among the stars and featured players chosen were W. C. Fields, for Micawber, "always expecting something to turn up"; Frank Lawton, brilliant young star, and ten-year-old Freddie Bartholomew, the screen's new wonder-child, as David Copperfield, the elder and the younger; Edna May Oliver as Aunt Betsey Trotwood; Lionel Barrymore as Dan Peggotty; Lewis Stone as Mr. Wickfield Madge Evans as Agnes; Maureen O'Sullivan as Dora; Roland Young as the hypocritical Uriah Heep and Elizabeth Allan as Mrs. Copperfield.

Another Insult

"Look here, Mrs. Murphy—why have you been hitting my little Bobby?"

"Sure, Mrs. Simpson, I only hit him because he was rude and called me a fat old pig!"

"But, good gracious, Mrs. Murphy, you ought to know better than that. Throwing my son won't do you any good—you'll have to start dieting!"

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SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS

Made Against Chinese Husband

Allegations of a somewhat extraordinary nature were made in a case at Central Magistracy yesterday when a Chinese was accused of having procured two men to stab his concubine on her refusal to submit to his objection of returning to America.

The case was one in which Chan Shing Shun, Ng King and Li Chung were charged with having on December 23 last year and March 27, 1935 did counsel, procure or command Wong Tai, and Lee Chan (not in custody) to wound or cause grievous bodily harm to Yu Sze Mai with intent to disfigure or disable her.

The case was heard by Mr. W. Schofield.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, assistant Attorney General, appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Peter H. Sin represented the first two accused.

At the outset Mr. Fraser said that as the third accused had agreed to give evidence for the prosecution, he wanted to drop the charge against him. There was, however, no question of offering him a free pardon.

Mr. Sin said that this action was tantamount to withdrawing the charge completely against the third accused, as there was also no mention of preferring any charge against him later.

NEVER WORKED

Outlining the facts of the case, Mr. Fraser said that the first accused and the complainant, Yu Sze Mai were married when the complainant was 15 years of age. Shortly after they went to America where the accused lived on the moderate earnings of the complainant for 13 years. During that time, as far as he (Mr. Fraser) could ascertain, the accused had on no occasion been working for a living. The complainant made her earnings through various activities, such as dress-making, laundry, waitress in a tea shop, etc. The complainant amassed quite a large sum of money from her earnings, and in 1933 she and the first accused returned to Hong Kong. Before doing so, the complainant had sent \$10,000 in advance to Hong Kong, and this money the husband drew out on arrival here. Besides the \$10,000, complainant had sufficient money to buy a house in Jaffee Street under her name. Together she and her husband lived in the second floor. After the husband had spent all the \$10,000 through gambling he proposed to her that she should earn a living for him as she had done in America. The complainant refused.

FAINTNESS OF HEART?

In America, complainant had adopted a small boy and a girl whom she also brought to Hong Kong. Finding that she could not make any money here, the complainant suggested to the first accused to return to America, a suggestion which was refused. In the meantime, the complainant occasionally went to Canton for medical treatment and while on one of her visits she met a friend whom she met while in America, and asked him to make preliminary arrangements for her to return to America. The first accused came to know of this, and finding that his objection was of no avail, he procured, in was

alleged, the third defendant to blind or incapacitate the complainant. The third accused then procured the second who, in turn, sought the assistance of the other two whose names were mentioned in the charge and who were not in custody. The last two men had on various occasions waited for complainant on her return from her periodical visits to Canton. On learning that the proposal was to stab the complainant, the third accused, whether through faintness of heart or had given up in despair, dropped out of the arrangements and broke off his relationships with the others.

ACCUSED DETAINED

On the day of the stabbing—March 27—the two men not in custody, waited for complainant outside Jaffee Street. They followed her up the stairs of her house and stabbed her with two scissor blades. Of the two blades, one of them was broken and the piece was still embedded in the spine of the complainant who was stabbed three or four times. After the stabbing the men escaped, but in the meantime, the first and second accused went to No. 2 Police Station to report the matter. The complainant continued her way up to the second floor where she was found by her mother who raised the alarm. Enquiries then followed as the result of which the accused were detained.

Mr. Fraser then called evidence to bear out his case, and the witnesses called were Dr. A. R. Greaves, Government Bacteriologist, Mr. J. Robertson, Government radiologist and Dr. A. Wong, of the Government Hospital, who gave formal evidence.

HUSBAND ACCUSED

Inspector J. Fender deposed to having been to the house of the complainant. He was told by complainant that her husband had something to do with the stabbing. On his return to No. 2 Police Station, he saw the two accused who asked him where the complainant was.

In reply to Mr. Sin, witness said the first accused did not ask whether his wife was being stabbed, but where was his wife.

Ho Shit Ying, a dancing girl of the Majestic Dancing Academy, said that she saw complainant bleeding from her wounds. She also saw two men running away from the staircase immediately after the stabbing. She did not raise the alarm because she was afraid.

At this stage, the case was adjourned until this afternoon.

AROUND THE COURTS

NO CASE TO ANSWER

Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, the Attorney General, was present at Central Magistracy yesterday when his chauffeur, Wong Tim was summoned before Mr. Schofield for driving without due care and caution in Queen's Road Central.

Appearing for the prosecution, Sergeant Brown, said the car was proceeding from east to west along Queen's Road Central, and he was coming in the opposite direction. The driver of the car almost stopped on the left hand side of the road, and then pulled out to the right hand side of the road. Apparently changing his mind, the driver put out his right hand, and suddenly pulled over to the left hand side of the road again, causing a motor cyclist who was coming behind to apply his brakes and stop dead.

Mr. Alabaster said that, according to the facts, nothing actually happened and therefore the defendant had no case to answer. His Worship concurred and defendant was discharged with a caution.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS CALENDAR

As announced in last week's Government Gazette, the Criminal Sessions for the month of April commences on Monday next, April 29, when the following cases will be heard:—

Abraham Edward Almsworth, charged with manslaughter of a Chinese as the result of a traffic accident in Nathan Road.

Li Chi charged with robbery with violence.

Fong Tong, larceny from person.

Leung So and Chan Sing robbery by two or more, and the following are charged with breaches of the Deportation Ordinance: Wong Sang, alias Wong Hing, Lui Kam-luen, alias Ng Ngau, Wong Wai-cheung, alias Wong Sze-kin, Wong Tai-tau, Chan Lin-shing, alias Chan Yung-shing, Ho Ming, alias Chan Ham, Cheung Wing, alias Cheung Chung.

DIAMONDS STOLEN

Sentence of two months' hard labour was passed by Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on Lau Hing Chui, an employee of A. G. James and Din, jewellers, 58, Nathan Road, who was charged with the theft of three diamonds, valued at \$120.

STOWAWAYS CHARGED

Two stowaways were charged before Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Joseph Mikla, 22, unemployed, of Chicago, pleaded guilty to stowing away on the steamer Lagan, back from Manila to Hong Kong and was committed to the House of Detention pending arrangements to send him away.

Another Case

In another case, Li Tak, who admitted stowing away from Singapore to Hong Kong on the Blue Funnel steamer Menelaus, was fined \$25, or one month.

Before Mr. Macfadyen at Central Magistracy yesterday, Chan Kwong, aged 18, unemployed, was bound over in the sum of \$50 for a period of one year, on being charged with the theft of clothing from No. 26 Possession Street, the property of Leung Siu-shan. It was stated that about 11 o'clock on Monday night defendant was seen by a Chinese detective near Po Hing Fong. He was acting in

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a suspicious manner and was holding a parcel. The parcel contained clothing which defendant admitted having stolen.

Yip Piu, a fitter employed at the Naval Dockyard, on charges of the theft of money, clothing and jewellery from 78 Portland Street and theft, by a trick, of a wrist watch from another inmate of the same address, was sent to prison for twelve weeks by Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Det. Sgt. Franklin stated that in regard to the second charge complainant went with defendant to a shop to have the watch repaired. The next day, defendant asked for the watch, stating he had been told by the complainant to get it.

RUSSIA'S LARGEST AIRSHIP

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Moscow, Apr. 22.
Russia's largest airship called "Osoaviachim W6" started on Sunday night from here to make a round trip of Moscow, Leningrad and Moscow non-stop. The airship arrived back here on Monday afternoon and landed without serious mishap. The greatest speed developed was 122 kilometres per hour. The trip took altogether 31 hours. Leningrad was crossed during the night. The airship carries a crew of 18 and the gas content was 18,600 cubic metres.

A slight derangement took place just before reaching Leningrad when part of the outer envelope was ripped, making manoeuvring difficult and necessitating a pause for repairs which, however, were quickly effected in the air.—
Translator: Kuo Min.

ADVANCE CHECKED

Nanking, Apr. 23.
It is announced here that Government troops have checked the Communist advance towards Chertu and the main body of the Reds, under the famous Hsu Hsiang Chien, is at present hemmed in between the Peikiang and Kialing Rivers. The Government forces have the Reds in a sort of nut-cracker grip.—
Reuter.

IDLE SHIPS

A Striking Decrease

London, Apr. 22.
Shipping laid up in the ports of Great Britain and Ireland on April 1 shows a striking decrease of 172,717 tons, when compared with the figures of idle tonnage on January 1.

The decrease is actually equivalent to 19.7 per cent. of the total of idle British shipping.

There is 373,322 tons of additional shipping when the figures of a year ago are compared; that is to say, the idle tonnage of that date has been diminished by 34.6 per cent.

In the London docks area alone the decrease in idle bottoms is 108,000 tons for the quarter.—
Reuter.

ONLY THREE MORE DAYS

Bagdad, Apr. 23.
Miss Jean Batten who is on a flight from New Zealand to England, has arrived and hopes to leave to-night. She has to reach England within the next three days to beat the time of her outward flight.—
Reuter.

FRENCH WAR ACE KILLED

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Paris, April 22.
One of the best known French war aces and holder of many post-war aviation records, Finart crashed at Mosh, in Tanganyika territory on a flight from Madagascar to Paris in an attempt to make a new speed record on the Tenerife-Marseilles line. Finart himself was killed instantaneously while his mechanic, de Forges was badly injured. The cause of the disaster was foggy weather.—
Translator: Kuo Min.

NEW CHAIRMAN

Bank Of Communications

Shanghai, Apr. 22.
Mr. Su Pi Kung has been appointed chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of Communications by Dr. H. H. Kung following a board meeting this afternoon when two Government members for the Standing Committee of seven were elected in the persons of Messrs. Soong Tze Liang and Yang Tui Fu.—
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THE NEW TERRITORIES

Its History And Development

INTERESTING TALK BY HON.
MR. BRAGA

An interesting address on "The New Territories, its History and Development," was delivered by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga at the weekly dinner of the Rotary Club held at the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday.

Mr. M. K. Lo presided, and the following guests were present: Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, Mr. J. M. da Rocha, Mr. F. H. Loebe, Mr. E. C. Farnwell, Mr. Noel Braga, Mr. James Braga, Mr. Hugh Braga and Mr. Tony Braga.

Before introducing the speaker, the President announced that he had received a letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Canton Rotary Club, inviting the members and their ladies to attend its Charter Day Dinner which will be held at the Nam Yuen Restaurant, Canton, to-morrow, commencing at 8 p.m.

MR. BRAGA'S ADDRESS

Addressing the meeting, the Hon. Mr. Braga said:—

There is a Chinese proverb which many of you are acquainted. It is that "he who rides the tiger dare not dismount." This proverb supplied an ambulant author with the catching title of his book, "Riding the Tiger," one of the most recent best sellers.

The reference to the book is merely to emphasise the dangerous pit into which one is liable to fall—however able or versatile the author may be—of taking for accepted facts statements that are open to serious doubt. To illustrate my point, an excerpt from the book in question serves my purpose admirably. The author would have his readers believe that, after the Sino-Japanese War of 1894, when Russia seized Port Arthur and built the South Manchurian Railroad, "England in a panic at seeing all the presents distributed"—meaning the lease of Kwangchowwan to the French, and the "grabbing" of Kiaochow by Germany (that is the author's own phrase)—"seized Weihai-wei and the lease of the Kowloon Peninsula opposite Hong Kong."

What is the true history of the cession of Old Kowloon? I must take your memory back to an earlier period than the leasing of the New Territories in order to give you a true historical background. So little was thought of the value of Kowloon, or of its possibilities of development, at the time of its cession to the British, that the Deed of Lease recited that "Tsimshatsui and its neighbourhood, consisting for the most part of barren hills that cannot be cultivated, has formed a place of resort for thieves and outlaws, who, availing themselves of the immediate proximity of the City of Victoria, constantly cross to Hong Kong, and commit depredations in that settlement to the serious injury of British subjects who can obtain no redress against these marauders."

MANY DISTRICTS

To combat the allegation I have just quoted, I need only cite the first two lines of the preamble of the Convention for the Extension of Hong Kong. It is formally stated in that document that "whereas it has for many years past been recognised that an extension of Hong Kong territory is necessary for the proper defence and protection of the Colony, it has now been agreed between the Governments of Great Britain and China that the limits of British territory shall be enlarged under the Lease to the extent indicated, generally, on the annexed map." The land covered by the extension secured under the terms of the Kowloon Convention involved an area on the mainland of 286 square miles, and of the islands, 90 square miles, being a total of 376 square miles, or 240,640 acres in all. To carry out a trigonometrical had cadastral survey a staff of surveyors and demarcators was obtained from the Surveyor-General's department of India. When it was completed 345,926 lots had been demarcated. The Land Court, which had been established for dealing with holdings and land claims, considered no less than 165,231 cases. The territory is divided into eight districts and forty-seven sub-districts. Those best known are Shatin, Tai-po, Fanling, Sheungshui, Antau, Tin-lung, Pingshan, Castle Peak, and Tsun-wan.

There are 33 islands within the leased territory. Some of these are uninhabited, and most of them are very small and of little or no importance. Of the islands the six principal ones are T'ing I, Ma Wan, Lantau, Ping Chau, Cheung Chau, and Lamna. The two best known to Europeans are the islands of Lantau and Cheung Chau which, at the time of their being

taken over had a population of 6,860 and 5,000, respectively. Lantau is larger than Hong Kong. Little or no improvement is noticeable there, but Cheung Chau has come into prominence for two reasons. First, as a summer resort for foreign Protestant missionaries scattered over the South-Western provinces of China, and for its magnificent bathing beaches. The waters around Cheung Chau furnish excellent fishing ground. The catches by the large fleet of fishing junks are brought daily to the markets of Hong Kong, and Kowloon, and find ready sale. Residents and visitors indulge in turtle hunting on the foreshore of the island.

CHINESE HIGHLANDERS

At the time of the leasing of these Territories, the total population, in the absence of any official census, was estimated at 100,000. The population is made up of "Puntis," "Hakkas," and "Tankaas." The "Puntis" are the natives and are considered the aristocrats. The "Hakkas" are known amongst the Chinese as "Strangers"; they are immigrants from the North and have a preference for settling on the higher land; because of this preference they have been called "Chinese Highlanders." They do not don the Highland kilts, however, nor are they in the habit of imbibing the mellow Highland dew of Vat 6. They are a hardy race and their womenfolk are distinguished by a circular bamboo head gear fringed with a blue-dyed cotton veil for protection against the sun when working in the fields. The "Tankaas" are the boat people, who inhabit the creeks and waterways.

The Kowloon Convention was done at Peking on the 9th day of June, 1898, and was signed by H.B.M. Minister Plenipotentiary, Sir Claude M. MacDonald, on behalf of the British Government, and by the late illustrious Viceroy and famous minister, Li Hung Chang, and Hsu Ying Kuei, for the Government of China. The document bore the seal of the Tsung-li Yamen, by which name the Foreign Office was known in China under the old regime.

Upon relinquishing his government of the Colony, Sir Henry Blake related that "the taking over of the New Territory was not accomplished without some trouble."

Agitators inflamed the minds of the people by false statements as to the result of our occupation to such an extent that armed resistance to the transfer was agreed upon. The Police and troops who proceeded to Tai-po to hoist the flag on April 17, 1899, were attacked by a large number of Chinese apparently under military direction.

Ultimately order was restored and the withdrawal of the troops was attended by demonstrations of good will from the inhabitants, to whom the presence of the troops brought freedom from taxation, security of their property, and a market for their produce.

CONSPICUOUS LANDMARK

Sir (then Mr.) James Haldane Stewart Lockhart, at one time Registrar General (the then title of the holder of the present office of Secretary for Chinese Affairs) and later Colonial Secretary, was appointed the first Special Commissioner for the New Territories. He estimated that the total revenue from taxation could be placed at £15,000. That being the case, the Secretary of State instructed the Governor that that amount was the income that His Excellency would have at his disposal for the first year or two for expenditure upon the New Territories. That expenditure was in the nature of initial cost of a simple administration which at first amounted to little more than supervising local bodies and protecting life and property. The larger question of the expenditure on public works was left over for subsequent consideration as the Territories progressed. When Sir James Lockhart returned to the Secretariat, Mr. E. R. Hallifax was appointed the first District Magistrate. The Magistrate's residence, known as "Island House,"

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Help Appreciated

[To the Editor, "The Hong Kong Daily Press"]

Sir,—The Committee of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society wish to acknowledge with grateful thanks the sum of \$687.61 being the net proceeds of the recent performance of "Elijah" given by Mr. Anderson Miller and the Hong Kong Singers.

Our special thanks are due to them, not only for this help, but for the musical treat provided; also to Mr. Mason the organist and the Cathedral authorities, for their kind collaboration and assistance and to the Press and Ye Olde Printers for so generously reducing their charges in the matter of advertisements and printing.

Such support enables the Society to face its responsibilities with renewed hope and confidence that our appeals to the generosity of the public are not in vain.

Yours, etc.,
M. WYNNE-JONES,
Hon. Treasurer,
Hong Kong Benevolent Society.

Hong Kong, April 23, 1935.

occupies a most prominent and picturesque position on the Tai-po Road below the bridge. It is a conspicuous landmark.

Compare the £18,000 of 1898 with the revenue collected during 1933, when the Northern District accounted for a total collection of a little over \$200,000 and the District Office South about \$550,000, the total collections for the two districts falling short of \$300,000 by only \$30,000. This large total does not take into account the revenue collected by the Imports and Exports Department. So that, during the thirty odd years of British administration, the revenue of the Territories has increased more than fivefold. At the present time, such has been the wonderful progress in development that, upon a single scheme for the provision of potable water for the inhabitants of the Colony, that known as the Shing Mun Waterworks and their contingent works, the expenditure of about \$15,000,000 is contemplated on this "magnum opus" of the Public Works Department. That it had been visualised even at that distant date that the catchment areas supplied by the high mountain ranges might supply ground for the construction of storage reservoirs to increase the water supply of the Colony if and when necessary, a citation of the opinion of Mr. Ormsby, the Director of Public Works at the time, will suffice.

(The rest of Mr. Braga's address will be published in tomorrow's issue.—Ed.)

SIR HENRY POLLOCK

In proposing a vote of thanks to the speaker, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock said that as he was probably the only resident in the Colony in the room who could remember Hong Kong before it took over the New Territories, he should like to say that the first movement for taking over the New Territories originated in the Hong Kong Branch of the Navy League of which he was for many years and up to the time of the cession of the New Territories, the honorary secretary. To all of them at that time who considered the matters of defence, it was found that the boundaries of Hong Kong were much too limited to be of any help for the defence of the Colony, for before the taking over of the New Territories all the northern shores of the Lyeemoon Pass and the hills behind the Kowloon Peninsula were Chinese territory.

As Mr. Braga had pointed out, the object of the Hong Kong Government had been throughout for the protection of the inhabitants of the New Territories, and it is his memory served him right the Government was so anxious to impress on the people of its benevolent intention that it even went to the extent, for two or three years after taking over the New Territories of not collecting any taxes at all from the Chinese residents there.

Since then all manner of improvements had taken place, and speaking for himself, the greatest enjoyment he had got out of the New Territories was not as one might think from the golf links as he was a poor performer, but from the delightful walks along the ranges or hills behind the Kowloon Peninsula.

Sir Henry concluded by saying that Mr. Braga had pointed out the

HONG KONG CELEBRATES

St. George's Day With
Band Concert

A large gathering was treated to an excellent programme of music yesterday evening at the H.K. Cricket Club Ground when St. George's Day was fittingly celebrated by a band concert by the Massed Bands of the 1st Battalion the Lincolnshire Regiment and the 2nd Battalion the East Lancashire Regiment, by kind permission of the commanding officers concerned.

The event formed an extremely appropriate prelude to "Jubilee Week."

Punctually at 5.15 p.m. H.E. The Governor Sir William Peel and Lady Peel accompanied by Capt. R. F. Walter, A.D.C., and Mr. J. G. Picher, Private Secretary arrived on the ground and were met by the President of the Society Mr. G. S. Archbutt and Mrs. Archbutt.

Others present were H.E. Major General O. C. Borrett and Mrs. Borrett, Sir Thomas Southern and Lady Southern, the officials of the Society and many others.

The programme was a well selected one and it would be invidious to mention any special item. The proceedings opened with a "quick march," "The Standard of St. George," by the Massed Bands and Drums and was followed by a spectacular Bugle March. Then followed the other items after which the retreat was sounded by Massed Buglers, this proving to be most impressive.

The second part of the programme opened with the Triumphant March—"Spirit of Pageantry," followed by selections "The Regimental Marches," "The Lincolnshire Poacher" and "The Lancashire Lad" with "God Save the King" brought the proceedings to a close.

Bandmaster A. B. Yule 2nd Bn. The East Lancashire Regiment and Bandmaster R. Griffith, A.R.C.M. 1st Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment were the conductors, and were introduced to H.E. The Governor at the close.

THE PROGRAMME

1.—Massed Bands and Drums
Quick March—"The Standard of St. George"..... Alford.
Bugle March—"Marching through Georgia"..... Miller.
2.—Massed Drums—Retreat
The Risings—"Teresa"..... Anon.
Retreat—"Star of the Sea"..... Anon.
Quick March—"Sempere"..... Godden.
Slow March—"Flowers of the Forest"..... Johnson.

THE JOCKEY CLUB

The following Alterations and Additions to Classification Lists dated, 11th March, 1935 were issued last evening:—

Oak Bay	to A Class
Daylight Eve	to C Class
Lemberg	to C Class
Cavalcade	to D Class
What A Chance	to D Class
The Tiger	to B Class
Wadebridge	to C Class
Coppersmith	to D Class
High West	to D Class
Lion-Hunter	to D Class

MASONIC CENTENARY

Royal Arch Chapter Canongate
Kilwinning Celebrations

(Special) Air Mail Service

London, April 3.

The Royal Arch Chapter Canongate Kilwinning, No. 53, which was formed on March 23, 1835, under a warrant issued by the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland in favour of nine Companions, celebrated the occasion by holding a centenary banquet last night in St. John's Chapel, St. John Street, Edinburgh.

In a historical sketch it is stated that one of the nine original founders of the Chapter was Companion James Deans, a Past Master of Lodge Emulation, London. It was he who, acting as R.W.M. of Lodge Canongate Kilwinning, initiated, passed and raised the Ettrick Shepherd at the Cleikum Inn, Innerleithen, on May 7, 1835.

Prior to the banquet last night a meeting of the Chapter was held, when honorary membership was conferred upon Companions the Right Hon. the Earl of Cassilis, First Grand Principal; Sir John C. Watson, Past Deputy Grand Principal; the Right Hon. the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Sir W. J. Thomson; and George A. Howell, Grand Scribe H.

recent improvements with regard to the establishment of clinics and the good work done the St. John's Ambulance Brigade. He understood that that Brigade would shortly be holding a "Flag Day" and realising the important work it was doing, he hoped that all residents of the Colony, British or Chinese, would give it their full support.

SANTARY BOARD
MEETINGApproves Of Changes
In Estimates

The Report of the Committee appointed to consider the proposed changes in the Estimates of the Sanitary Department and the proposed Public Works Extraordinary for 1936, was approved at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday, including the items of \$200 for a seat of the Urban Council which was omitted in the estimates circulated to the members.

The members also agreed to postpone the next meeting of the Board from May 7 to May 9, on account of the Silver Jubilee celebrations.

On the ground of inadequate kitchen accommodation, the application for an eating house licence at No. 84, Hollywood Road, ground floor, was refused. Those present at the meeting were: Mr. E. Hinesworth (President), Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Dr. G. W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Mr. M. K. Lo, Dr. Li Shu Fan, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary) and Mr. Im Ping Tsung, (Assistant Secretary).

SIR WILLIAM PEEL FUND

The Hon. Treasurer of Sir William Peel Fund for the Protection of Children has received the following further donations:—

Previously acknowledged	\$14,070
In Memory of "Baby" Peter Sanderson	15
Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Potter	100
The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.	100
Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto	30
"J. & F. L."	30
Mr. Fung Kung On	50
Army Schoolchildren	50
Mr. D. Drummond	25
Mr. Kwok Siu Lau	100
Mr. G. S. Archbutt	50
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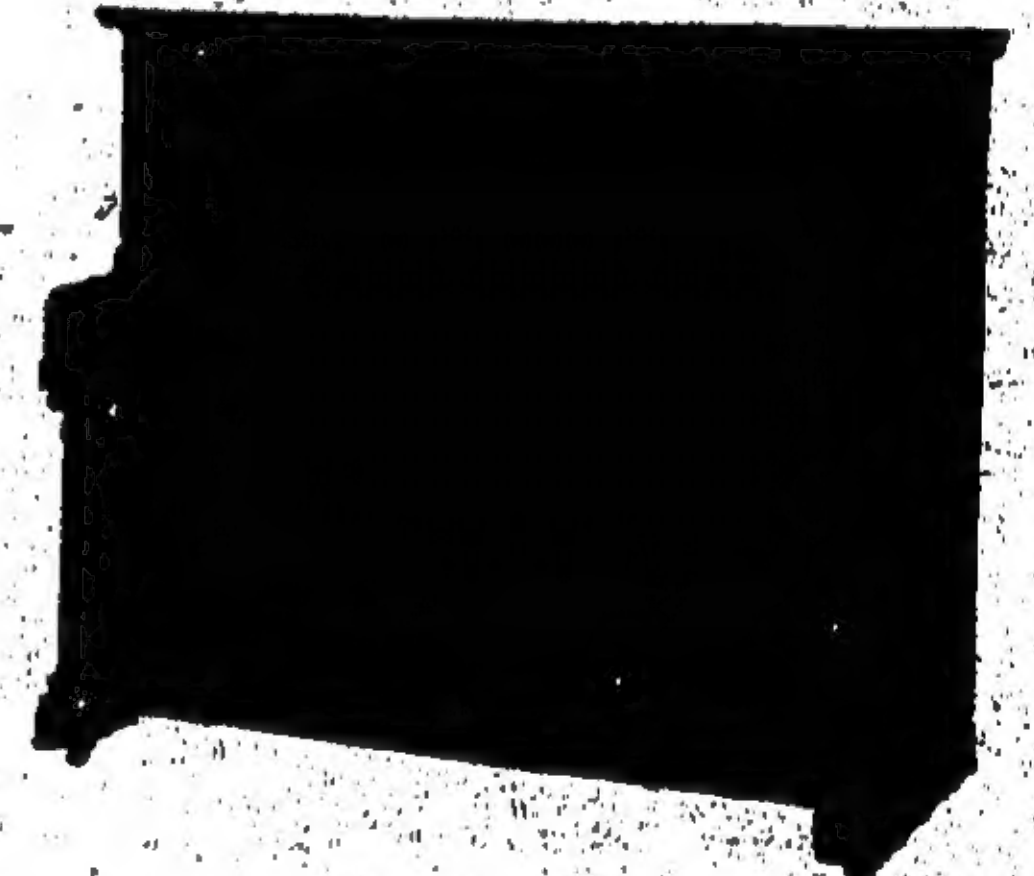
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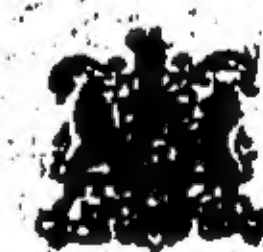
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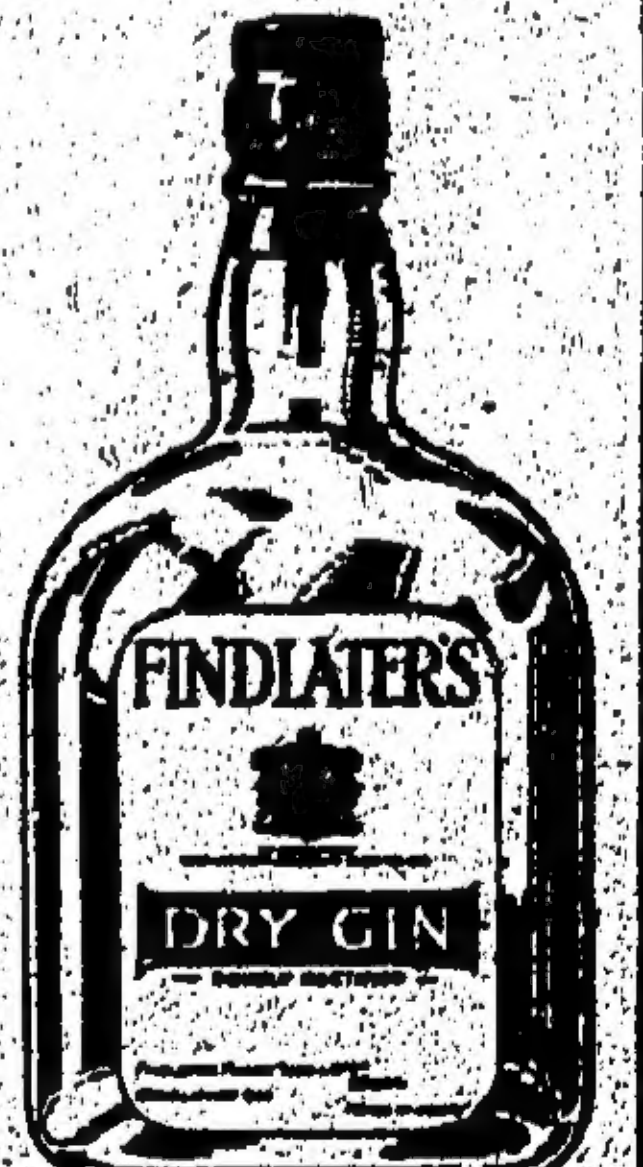
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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION

No. 2735.

BRITISH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
DICKINSON SCHOLARSHIP

THE British Municipal Council, Tientsin, has decided to establish a scholarship in the Tientsin Grammar School to be known as the "Dickinson Scholarship" in memory of the late J. M. Dickinson, Esquire.

The Council desires that friends and acquaintances wishing to contribute to the scholarship fund should be given an opportunity to do so.

Those who desire to assist in the work of establishing the scholarship may send their contributions marked "Dickinson Scholarship Fund" to the undersigned: names of contributors will be published in due course, through the medium of the press.

By Order,

H. F. BARNES,

"SECRETARY & ENGINEER,"

BRITISH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,

TIENSIN.

COUNCIL ROOM,

TIENSIN, April 16th, 1935.

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G. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 29th DAY of APRIL, 1935, at 8 a.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Ho Man Tin in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Island Lot No. 338	St. Andrew's	100 ft. by 100 ft.	0.25	200	200
2	Junction of Aberdeen Road and Kowloon Island Lot No. 339	St. Andrew's	100 ft. by 100 ft.	0.25	200	200

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Rural Building Lot No. 338	Barker Road	100 ft. by 100 ft.	0.25	200	200
2	Rural Building Lot No. 339	Barker Road	100 ft. by 100 ft.	0.25	200	200

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND
CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, Limited, will be held at the Office of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road (Central) Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 24th April, 1935, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1934, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th April to the 24th April, 1935, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board

B. ALVES,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th April, 1935. [3417]

ALICE MEMORIAL AND
AFFILIATED HOSPITALS.

ANNUAL MEETING 1935.

THE Annual Meeting of the above Hospitals will be held on Wednesday, April 24th, 1935, at 8 p.m. in the Board Room of the Chamber of Commerce.

BUSINESS—

(1) To receive report and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1934.

(2) To approve the general estimates of expenditure for the year 1935.

(3) To elect the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the General Committee who shall, ex officio, be members of the Executive Committee.

(4) To elect five other members of the General Committee, of whom three shall be Chinese and two other than Chinese, to serve on the Executive Committee.

(5) Other business.

R. M. ALBERTON,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1935. [3156]

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN &
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Jacobean Room, 1st floor, Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street Hong Kong, at 12.15 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 30th day of April, 1935, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1934, electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Saturday, the 20th April, 1935, until Tuesday, the 30th April, 1935, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,

D. L. KING,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th April, 1935. [3435]

THE MACAO ELECTRIC
LIGHTING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-fourth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Second floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 2nd day of May, 1935, at 11.30 a.m.

The Register of Members will be closed from the 26th day of April to the 2nd day of May, 1935, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

Secretaries.

Hong Kong, 15th April, 1935. [3437]

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY
CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting, to be held on SATURDAY, 4th May, 1935, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Gloucester Building, The Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, the 25th APRIL, 1935.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

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His Majesty King George
V's Silver Jubilee.Appeal on behalf of
Charities.

On the 6th May next the British Empire is giving thanks and praise that for 25 years His Majesty King George V has been preserved to bear the sceptre of sovereignty and maintain the unity of the Empire. His Majesty's great interest in all forms of charity is universally recognised and it is known that His Majesty desires this auspicious occasion to be in some manner dedicated to assisting charitable objects. It has, therefore, been decided to collect funds throughout this Colony for charitable purposes, the subscriptions not to exceed \$1.00, and humbly to pray His Majesty to nominate the charities in this Colony to which the moneys collected should be devoted.

The Charitable Collection Subcommittee is providing boxes for the purpose of the collection and all those who wish to assist in this laudable object are asked to communicate with the Honourable Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., of China Building, Hong Kong, who is representing the Chinese Subcommittee formed for this purpose or to Mr. S. F. Balfour of the Colonial Secretariat, Hong Kong, who will arrange for collecting boxes to be forwarded.

This appeal is issued by the Silver Jubilee Committee of Hong Kong.

BIRTHS

SKINNER—At Kobe, on April 5, to Mr. and Mrs. O. Skinner, a son, SCHWARZENBURG.—To Dr. and Mrs. Ch. Schwarzenburg, at the Paulin Hospital, Shanghai, on April 15, 1935, a son.

MCADAM—To Mr. and Mrs. D. M. McAdam, at Country Hospital, Shanghai, on April 15, a daughter.

DEATHS

CHILDS—On April 14, 1935, at the University Hospital, Nanjing, John Childs, aged 45 years.

SILAGI—Suddenly on April 5, 1935, in Shanghai, E. A. Silagi, aged 60 years.

GARCLAS—On April 18, 1935, at the Sacred Heart Hospital, Shanghai, Joe Vincent, aged 40 years, the dearly beloved husband of Mrs. V. Garclas.

BEESON—On April 12, 1935, at the Shanghai, General Hospital, Horace Beeson, aged 59 years.

MARRIAGE

OLIVER—STRIKE—On April 17, 1935, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Very Reverend A. C. S. Trivet, M.A., D.D., Joan Ursula Wrenmonth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Strike of Shanghai, to Joseph Stewart King, son of the late Mrs. E. and Mr. John Oliver of Dumbarton, Scotland.

APPOINTMENTS IN
KWEICHOW

Nanking, Apr. 23.
The organisation of the new Kweichow provincial government under Wu Chung Hsin has been

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BRITISH AIR POLICY
JUSTIFIED

In a plain answer to a plain question Sir John Simon told the House of Commons recently that the German Chancellor had stated to him, in the course of the Berlin conversations, that "Germany had reached parity with Great Britain in the air." This disposed effectually of the demerit issued incautiously, though perhaps in good faith, from the German Embassy in London in reference to statements of exactly the same nature which had been published in some of the newspapers. It is therefore safe to say that the fact now is firmly established. It is one which above all others the British public must take to heart in all its implications and face up to not only with fixed resolution but also with a united front. It is more than possible that the question of German air parity has come as a surprise to the British Government. It was not so long ago that the Secretary for Air assured the House of Commons that "so far as we can estimate, we shall at the end of the year still possess a margin of superiority." It is just possible that this advisers might have taken too literally statements like the recent one of the German Air Minister that "the figures commonly accepted for the Air Force in Germany were grossly exaggerated." There is not the slightest doubt that there have been exaggerations in some quarters, for what else could have been expected when the German Government still kept up the pretence of being without a single fighting plane or bomber when precisely at the same time all Europe knew that every German factory had been working at full pressure for the past few months? The time for hiding is now over and when Herr Hitler openly admits to parity, there is a feeling that Germany not only has parity but also something in excess. This excess may be just a little or it may be a great deal, but just exactly how much it is Germany alone knows. What is certain, however, is that the margin of superiority designed to show rapid growth.

It may also be assumed that while she swiftly built-up her air force, Germany was not primarily, nor even secondarily, thinking of Great Britain. The fact remains, however, that Britain must take Germany into her calculations in any comparison of air strength and under this head the observations made by Sir Philip Sassoon at the League of Nations Union meeting recently were singularly appropriate. He reminded those present at the meeting that the Western Air Pact which forms part of the Franco-British Agreement of February 3, is based upon mutual guarantees by the Locarno nations against aggression and it followed, therefore, that if Britain were to participate in such a Pact in the fullest sense of the word, she must be in a position to be able to offer the others such assistance as she might expect from them. Failing this she must necessarily sink to the position of a protected Power and selfishly fail to contribute her share to the collective security.

From the obligations of honour, there is no escape and that alone is the overwhelming justification on pure League of Nations reasoning for the increase in this year's Air Estimates. This does not necessarily mean that the door is closed to "agreed reduction" but if there is no reduction only those who deliberately shut their eyes can doubt where their duty lies. The obligations of Mr. Baldwin's formula that Britain must be as strong in the air as the strongest Power within striking distance of her shores will be vividly brought home should the negotiations fail.

completed with the following appointments:—Chao Ching Yuen, Commissioner of Civil Affairs, Li Chung Kung, Finance, Yieh Yuan Luma, Education, and Sheng Chan Chi, Reconstruction.

CHINESE BANK LOANS
TO INDUSTRYGeneral Procedure Outlined
By Finance Ministry

Nanking, Apr. 18.
A set of general principles for the guidance of the leading Chinese banks in granting relief loans to industrial and commercial enterprises has been drawn up by the Ministry of Finance. This was transmitted to the Central Bank of China, the Bank of China, the Bank of Communications, and the Shanghai Bankers' Association, for observance, in a ministerial order yesterday. It is provided that:

1—When industrial or commercial concerns seek relief, the Banks should, in the interest of stabilizing the business situation, extend loans to them as far as practicable.

2—Industrial or commercial concerns, entitled to loans as a measure of relief, shall be confined to factories manufacturing native products, firms selling native products, and firms exporting native products.

3—Upon request by factories or firms for relief, the banks should conduct an investigation to ascertain whether or not the factories or firms in question are actually in operation, as well as their assets and liabilities, their business conditions and policies, and whether or not the purposes for which loans are requested are absolutely indispensable.

4—The banks should exercise periodical supervision over the application of the loans extended to the factories or firms and see that such loans are not employed for purposes other than those for which they are granted.

5—No loans should be granted to factories or stores which, as the result of investigation, are found incapable of "carrying on their business."

6—The banks are empowered to despatch technical experts to

guide or rectify the technical policies of factories and the business plans of firms.

INTEREST RATE

7—Interest on loans extended for relief of industrial or commercial concerns should not exceed 8 per mille per mensem (9.6 per cent. per annum). In case the conditions of the factories or firms are such that they are unable to pay the full interest, they may seek the permission of the Ministry for a subsidy equivalent to 2 per mille per mensem.

8—The duration of the loans referred to in the preceding paragraph should not exceed one year.

The maximum amount of loans to be extended by the various banks is fixed at \$15 millions.

As soon as a loan is extended, the bank must submit a detailed report naming the factory or firm to which the loan is extended, the amount and duration of the loan, and the security therefor, to the Ministry for record.

SMALLER CONCERNS

9—The banks should also extend loans to factories or firms which, though unable to offer security for mortgage, can produce a guarantee by two firms of sound standing which are willing to assume joint and several liability for repayment of the loan.

Such loans, however, should not exceed one-half the capital and reserve fund of the factories or firms concerned. The loans should be redeemed, according to usual business usage, at the settlement period.

10—The maximum total of small credit loans to be extended by the various banks, as provided for in the preceding paragraph, is fixed at \$5 millions.

Kuo Min.

OBITUARY

Gen. Sir Richard
Butler

London, April 22.

The death has occurred of Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Harte Keatinge Butler, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Deputy Chief of the General Staff on the Western Front from 1916 to 1918, who was Field Marshal Lord Haig's right-hand man.

Born in 1870, General Butler joined the Dorset Regiment in 1890 and became Lieutenant-Colonel of the Lancs Fusiliers in 1914. He served in South Africa from 1899 to 1902, was severely wounded, and was twice mentioned in despatches.

In the European War, he was mentioned in despatches six times, and was promoted Major-General and given the K.C.M.G. and K.C.B. decorations. From 1924 to 1928, he was General Officer Commanding, Western Command. He retired in 1928.

For his services in the Great War, he received French, Belgian and American decorations.

AMERICAN ECONOMIC
MISSION

Shanghai, April 23.
The United States economic mission headed by Mr. Cameron Forbes is proceeding to Nanking by to-night's express and will be given an official governmental reception.

Members of the mission are busy sightseeing and interviewing prominent Chinese officials and business men. They will return to Shanghai on Thursday after a busy round of business and pleasure at the capital.

VISIT TO CANTON

Shanghai, Apr. 23.
The economic mission expect to proceed to Canton by air next week, making the trip in two sections.

"Our plans after returning from the South are yet incomplete, but it is probable that we shall proceed to visit commercial centres in the North, coming back via Central China," said Mr. Cameron Forbes, head of the mission.

The whole mission visited the civic centre to-day to pay respects to Mayor Wu Te Chen.

ARMY BOXING

Final Events At
Shamshupo

The finals of the Hong Kong Area Individual Boxing Championships were held at the Shamshupo Camp last night in the presence of a large number of spectators, including the G.O.C., His Excellency Major-General O. C. Borrett.

The events were carried out with precision, while the contestants showed great keenness in their fights with the result that some clean boxing was seen.

At the conclusion, His Excellency presented the prizes and expressed appreciation of the sporting display put up by the contestants.

Colonel H. C. Harrison was the referee and at the invitation of His Excellency, gave a few words of advice to the novices in regard to the fist art.

The Results

The following were the results:—
Novices

Fly Weight—Dmr. Sharples (East Lancs.) received walk-over.

Bantam Weight—Cpl. Collier (E. Lancs.) beat Pte. Egan (E. Lancs.).

Feather Weight—Fus. Ross beat Fus. Wynne.

Light Weight—L/C. Powell (R. W. F.) beat Pte. Quinn (East Lancs.).

Welter Weight—Pte. Scullion (E. Lancs.) beat Pte. McCarrick (East Lancs.).

Middle Weight—Fus. 43 Davies beat Pte. Grimshaw (E. Lancs.).

Light Heavy Weight—Fus. 88 Powell beat Dmr. Atkins (East Lancs.).

Heavy Weight—L/Cpl. Carlisle (R. W. F.) beat Pte. Harmsworth (East Lancs.).

Open

Fly Weight—Bds. Whitehouse (E. Lancs.) received walk-over.

Bantam Weight—Fus. Fisher beat Pte. Bennett (East Lancs.).

Feather Weight—Pte. Whitehouse (East Lancs.) beat Cpl. Price (R. W. F.).

Light Weight—Dr. Maj. Quilter (E. Lancs.) beat Fus. Kearney.

Welter Weight—Pte. Neilson (E. Lancs.) beat L/Cpl. Mason (East Lancs.).

Middle Weight—Pte. Deeming (Lincoln) beat Pte. Dillon (East Lancs.).

Light Heavy Weight—L/C. Gray (East Lancs.) beat Fus. Bagby.

Heavy Weight—Pte. Jordan (E. Lancs.) received walk-over.

NEWS SUMMARY

"New Territories: Their history and development" was the subject of an interesting talk by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga at the weekly dinner of the Rotary Club yesterday.

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A Chinese was charged with having procured two Chinese to stab his concubine on her refusal to submit to her objection of returning to America.

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The programme of the tennis championships for the coming week appears on

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On the occasion of St. George's Day a large gathering was treated to an excellent programme of music rendered by the Massed Bands of the Lincolnshire and E. Lancs. Regiments on the Cricket Club Ground yesterday evening.

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Mrs. M. Wynne Jones, the Hon. Treasurer of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society writes to thank all those who have made contributions to the Society or helped in any other respect.

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In connection with the Formosa earthquake, His Excellency the Governor has written a letter to the Japanese Consul General expressing sympathy on behalf of the Colony to the Japanese Government.

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LOCAL AND
GENERAL

A Dinner Dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-night; last bus leaves Repulse Bay at 1 a.m.

The resignation of General Wang Chia Lieh as the chairman of the Kweichow Provincial Government has been accepted by the Central Government.

Three cases of small-pox, five of diphtheria and two of cerebro-spinal fever, were reported for the 5 days ended on April 22.

Mr. Shih Ying, formerly Mayor of Nanking, is reported by the "Shinwenpao" as now living with a monk in an old temple near Qilin-san. His family do not know his whereabouts.

In view of the fact that the importation of foreign goods is increasing each year in Kwantung, General Chen Chi Tang, has made the suggestion to prohibit the purchase of foreign goods and the wearing of foreign-style clothing. It has been learned that this suggestion has been referred to the Political Affairs Study Association for consideration and, if adopted, the government employees will be the first to be made to observe the rule.

A report has been made to the Police by Sergeant R. H. G. Philp, R.E., residing at the Garrison Sergeant's Mess, Wellington Barracks, to the effect that at between 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. on Monday, somebody stole from his room a cigarette case valued at \$15, one fountain pen, value unknown, and \$5 in cash.

Mrs. Miskin, of No. 104 The

FRANCO-SOVIET PACT DEADLOCK

Reservations Which Did Not Please The Russians

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Paris, Apr. 23. The negotiations between Litvinoff and Laval have been temporarily interrupted. Litvinoff has returned to Moscow to report to the Council of the Peoples Commissaries. Laval has returned to the Council of the Peoples Commissaries. Laval has returned to the Council of the Peoples Commissaries.

An official statement was also issued by the French Government, which attempts to minimise the difficulties which have arisen, declaring that during Litvinoff's journey to Moscow the negotiations, naturally, could not be continued. Laval and Litvinoff have already agreed as to the principles of the pact and at the time of Litvinoff's departure the only difficulties that existed were in regard to the text. That Litvinoff wished to report to the Council of the Peoples Commissaries could easily be comprehensible as Laval also reported to the French cabinet, points out the communiqué.

that the Soviet Russian negotiators did not interpret the pact the same way as ourselves. M. Laval, who agreed to the principle of understanding only under constraint, remained firm in two reservations, namely that France should not assume the automatic obligation to go to Soviet's assistance, and in demanding a firm promise that Soviet propaganda in France would cease and would no longer be supported by the Soviet. Both these reservations did not please the Soviet.

"The adjournment," at all events, gives a welcome occasion to ponder more deeply the demands made on us by the Soviet. If Laval remains firm towards the theses defended by Herriot, he is certainly right. The French public knows hardly anything of what is being concocted in Moscow and elsewhere and if asked about the pact would firmly say no.

"Le Renouveau," on the other hand, appears to be quite upset by the idea that Herriot's favourite plan of Franco-Russian alliance may yet fail. Who could assert, asks the paper, that the Franco-Russian pact is directed against any Power and who could say that this agreement which is in accordance with the spirit of the League of Nations could cause the slightest disquietude to any nation? Only those Governments who believed their wishes impeded by the organisation of security could raise any objection. One should not be mistaken about Germany's real intentions, warns the paper.

FRENCH POLICY CRITICISED

Pact With Russia, Imperilled

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Paris, April 23. The French policy after Stresa and Geneva is severely criticised by Pertinax, the foreign political correspondent. Stresa showed that the Anglo-Franco-Italian block was no effective instrument. Britain was still struggling not to assume obligations on the continent.

Late in January the British Foreign Office tried to revive the entente cordiale of pre-war times but met with resistance from the Dominions, part of public opinion and even its own chief, Sir John Simon, and some other ministers. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Sir John Simon might have been prepared to confirm the Locarno obligations but the Locarno Treaty itself was made obsolete by events. The League of Nations is incapable of stopping the slightest aggression.

Sir Austen Chamberlain last month passed a damning verdict that the League of Nations could maintain peace only if no great Power wanted war. Thus only the remaining possibility was the non-inclusion of bilateral assistance pacts between France and Russia, and Russia, Czechoslovakia, France and Italy.

But the most important of all, the Franco-Russian pact is now imperilled. By his hesitation and lack of steadiness, Laval has now jeopardised if not lost his authority, which is so necessary, and only direct conversations between Mussolini, Benesch, Titulescu and Jettich could save the Danubian conference.

Transocean Kuo Min.

FORMOSA EARTHQUAKE CALAMITY

Relief Parties Reach Affected Area

Tokyo, Apr. 23. Airplane surveys indicated that the earthquake's devastation covered an area of approximately two thousand square miles from Shin-chiku City, north, Taichu City south, and from the sea coast to the east as far as the mountains where the aborigine headhunters dwell.

Formosa's principal industry, sugar, was virtually unscathed, the majority of mills and cane fields being outside the districts affected.

BRITISH OFFER

Tokyo, Apr. 23. The British Naval Attaché, on behalf of Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, conveyed to the Japanese Navy Ministry to-day an expression of the deepest sympathy, with the offer to send ships from the China Station with relief supplies to Formosa.

The Navy Ministry, expressing sincere appreciation, replied that the situation was in hand and the British Navy's assistance was not at present required.

Reuter.

THREE THOUSAND DEAD

Taihouku, Apr. 23. The latest official casualty list gives the total of dead in the Formosa quake 3,065, 7,889 seriously injured and 1,490 slightly hurt.

Houses wholly or partially destroyed number 24,936 and houses or buildings damaged total 5,209.

Reuter.

BRITAIN THANKED

Taihouku, Apr. 23. Warm sunshine and the absence of floods in the North-west of Formosa after a night of terror is enabling relief parties of Army and Navy red cross workers to come to grips with the task of alleviating the miseries of approximately a quarter of a million earthquake sufferers.

Relief columns sent by the Army have reached the heart of the affected area with medical aid, food and blankets, while the Navy rushed the destroyer Shimakaze to the coast with supplies and doctors.

MASS MARRIAGE IN ROME

Encouragement By The State

Rome, Apr. 23. A total of 2,353 couples, mostly under 25 and some only 18 years old, were married yesterday in Rome in response to the Fascist slogan "early marriage, large families."

Each bridegroom received a bonus of five hundred lire in an envelope adorned with a portrait of Premier Mussolini, while each bride received bouquets and boxes of sweets.

Churches were crowded with wedding parties from daybreak. Extra police were requisitioned to organise queues of bridal couples who after the wedding entrained for various Fascist headquarters lavishly decorated amid a scene of tumultuous rejoicing.

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BRAZILIAN COTTON FOR ITALIAN WARSHIPS

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Rome, April 23. The barter agreement of warships against Brazilian cotton has been concluded here. The Italian shipyards have received from the Brazilian Government orders for six submarines as well as several auxiliary ships and tankers. In payment, Italy will receive Brazilian cotton and other raw materials.

Transocean Kuo Min.

Japan has replied, expressing warm appreciation of Britain's offer to send ships from the China Station, but said that the assistance of the British Navy was not needed at present.

U.S. MESSAGE

Tokyo, April 23. The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Hirota, has received a message from Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, expressing profound sympathy in the earthquake disaster. Mr. Hirota cabled the Japanese nation's deep appreciation of the message.

Like Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, Admiral Upham, chief of the United States Navy, has offered all assistance possible. The Japanese Press expresses deep appreciation of the sympathy shown in the British and American newspapers.

The Governor General of Formosa reports that the distribution of foodstuffs and other daily necessities, stocks of which are ample, is proceeding smoothly.

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HONG-KONG'S SYMPATHY

The following is the letter of sympathy sent by His Excellency the Governor to Mr. K. Midzawa, Consul General for Japan in Hong Kong, on April 23:

My dear Consul General,—On behalf of myself and the Hong Kong Government I send to you and, through you, to the Japanese nation our very sincere sympathy in the tragic disaster which has just occurred in Formosa. I was most grieved to read the account of it and to learn that so many lives had been lost. I do trust that there will be no recurrence of the earthquake and that the death toll will not prove to be larger than has been reported up to the present.

Yours very truly,
Sgd. W. Peel

COTTON POLICY IN U.S.

A Thorny Problem

London, April 23. President Roosevelt's appointment of two committees to investigate the effect of cotton policies illustrates that cotton perhaps is the thorniest problem confronting the Administration.

The existing arrangements are breaking down in three separate places. Firstly, acreage curtailment causes appalling distress among southern tenant farmers because powerful landowners can evade their obligation of share restriction by making the entire output fall upon the tenants by evictions, etc. Secondly, the textile industry is crushed between the processing tax on raw material and the restrictions on labour, increasing imports, especially from Japan, and poor consumption. Thirdly, loss of cotton export markets in Brazil and other competitors.

Mr. Wallace opposes the chances, but many well-informed experts believe that revisions are inevitable.

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BUDGET DEFICIT IN ITALY

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Rome, April 23. A deficit of 362 million lire in the State Budget for March is shown by the treasury report. During the first nine months of the current financial year the excess in expenditure over income was 1,772 millions as compared with 3,222 millions during the same period of the preceding year. The East African expedition is responsible for the expenditure of 327 millions.

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DUKE OF GLOUCESTER

Tells Of Australian Tour

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, April 23. The Duke of Gloucester, who returned last week from a 44,000-mile world tour, gave some interesting impressions in a speech which was broadcast.

He was speaking at a dinner given by the Royal Empire Society, British Empire League, Victoria League, Overseas League, Empire School Tours School Committee, and the British Women's Hospitality Committee at Grosvenor House.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, Secretary for the Dominions, presided. The Duke spoke in reply to the toast of his health proposed by Mr. Thomas.

The Duke said that one's confidence in the future of Australia and New Zealand was strengthened by the care given to child welfare and education and the encouragement of initiative and self-reliance in the young. "One felt," he added, "that the destiny of the country should be safe in the hands of a generation brought up from childhood to think and act for itself."

AIR TRANSPORT SCOPE

"There is probably no country more suited to air transport than Australia," the Duke went on, "nor one more greatly benefiting by its use as regards both travel and defence. This was early appreciated. Highly efficient civilian air forces and aero clubs are firmly established, while an increasing number of people possess their own machines. This air sense will have been further stimulated, no doubt, by the great England to Melbourne air race."

The first thing that impressed him, he continued, was the vastness of the area, especially in Australia, as yet only partly developed. No one who had been there could doubt that there was room for many more immigrants of our race or that such a movement would be immensely valuable to both countries.

"Australia's prime need would appear to be a growing population settled on the land since, large though her secondary industries have grown to be, the primary products, such as wool, wheat, butter and fruit, still remain, with gold, her leading articles of export."

YOUTH TRAINING FARMS

He was well aware, he went on, that, at the moment, the time was not ripe for the resumption of migration to Australia and New Zealand, but he was glad to note that migration in what was perhaps its most hopeful form was still being carried on.

He mentioned his visit to the Fairbridge Farm School, in Western Australia, which, he said, had proved to be the one wholly successful immigration scheme in Australia. He formed a high opinion of the scheme of training young immigrants with a view to their later settlement on the land, and was glad that similar schools were now to be started in other dominions.

In New Zealand there was a scheme to give farm training to older boys and girls, the sons and daughters of British seamen killed and wounded in the war, but there were no longer any qualified candidates. New Zealand boys and

girls were now being trained there, but he hoped that at some future time the scheme might be used for the reception of children from this country.

He had been greatly struck by the excellence of the railway systems and main roads, and the beauty of so many of the buildings and gardens he had seen.

"The part taken by ex-Servicemen in the life of these countries is a conspicuous feature," he said. Loyalty to the King and mutual support and understanding were the keystones of the Empire.

"While its members must naturally be mindful each of their own needs," he said, "they are all united in a desire to help one another to the utmost of their power. We believe that in this mutual help lies the only way to surmount our difficulties. Is not that a lesson for the world to-day?"

ORATORS' STAYING POWER

The Duke made a jocular reference to the number of speeches he had heard and made.

"I found I speedily became involved in the national habit of speech-making," he said. "Few days went by without my having to speak, often several times, either in retaliation of in self-defence, but I fear I never achieved either the facility or the staying power of the local champions."

Mr. J. H. Thomas reminded the company that 84 years ago the King and Queen visited Australia. An old friend "down under" who remembered that visit had, he said, written to him to say how "the son had done a good job well" and how His Royal Highness's visit had revived in Australian hearts happy memories of the days his mother and father spent in the Commonwealth at the commencement of this century.

"In the days before I was a capitalist," said Mr. Thomas, telling a story later, "I used to engage the best counsel to fight for the railwaymen. Once a famous counsel brought tears to the jury's eyes about a platelayer's family. 'Unfortunately for me, Lord Carson represented the railway company. He began his address to the jury with the words, 'I am not boring for water' (Laughter.)"

MORE ITALIAN TROOPS FOR AFRICA

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Rome, April 23. The steamer Urania has sailed for East Africa with troops and a cargo of automobiles. In Naples, the steamers Fraga and Colombo will take on board infantry detachments. As the Gazzetta del Popolo reports from Asmara, the authorities in Eritrea are taking energetic measures because the advent of troops and workers has caused the price of rice and led to speculation with silver coins. Four native money changers have been arrested for buying up silver coins.

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THE CITY AND SUBURBAN

Fifteen Probable Starters

London, April 23. The following are the probable starters and jockeys for the City and Suburban which will be run at Epsom on April 24 over 11 miles:

Cotton Easter (Nicoll)
Light Sussex (Smirke)
Master Vere (Perryman)
Montrose (Gordon Richards)
Heavyweight (Harry Wragg)
Carlin (Nevett)
His Reverence (Lane)
Fox Masque (A. Wragg)
Snooker (Steve Donoghue)
Tartan (E. Smith)
British Quota (Beary)
Lost Soul (Weston)
Rock Star (Richardson)

No jockeys have yet been assigned for Norman Herald and Indestructible on the probabilities list.

Reuter.

GREAT METROPOLITAN RESULT

London, Apr. 23. The Great Metropolitan run at Epsom to-day over 24 miles resulted in Crawley Wood winning from Flam by four lengths, while Corona Corona was third a length and a half behind. Twenty one ran.

Betting odds were 100/3 Crawley Wood, 25/1 Flam, 7/1 Corona Corona.

Reuter.

RIDING ACCIDENT IN PEIPING

General Wang Lin Killed

Peiping, Apr. 23. The death occurred to-day of General Wang Lin, assistant chief of staff to the corps at Generalissimo's Headquarters in Hankow. He was riding this morning in the grounds of the Temple of Heaven when he was thrown and sustained a fracture of the skull. He died in the afternoon at the Peiping Union Medical College.

Reuter.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Intercessions For Peace

Paris, Apr. 23. Pilgrims from every part of the world, including China, are flocking to Lourdes for the three days and nights of prayer beginning on April 25 when the whole world is asked to intercede for peace. Catholic Bishops throughout the world have ordered similar intercessions.

It is calculated that four masses every second will be said during the three days. Seventy prelates are present at Lourdes, including the Papal Legate, Cardinal Pacelli, four other Cardinals, eight British Archbishops and Bishops. The solemnities terminate in the afternoon of April 28 when the Papal benediction will be broadcast from Rome.

An English priest originated the idea. Cardinal Bourne submitted it to the Pope and learnt joyfully a few days before his death that it had been approved.

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DEATH SENTENCES IN GREECE

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Athens, April 23. Death sentences against General Paulas who is considered to be the organiser of the recent revolt, and Generals Kins and Baka have been pronounced by the court martial here. The Salonika court martial has sentenced to death, in absentia, General Camenos, three colonels, one lieutenant-colonel, two captains and two civilians. Six others were given life imprisonment and three were sentenced to terms ranging from 20 to 15 years.

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SAFETY OF CHENG TU ASSURED

Chengtu, April 23. The safety of the city is assured with the arrival of national troops.

Reuter.

HOME FOOTBALL

Easter Monday
Fixtures

Another full programme of league matches were played off on Easter Monday when some good football was seen. The results were:—

FIRST DIVISION

Birmingham	3	Leeds U.	1
Derby C.	4	Everton	2
Leicester	2	Grimby	2
Middlesbrough	0	Arsenal	1
Portsmouth	4	Manchester C.	2
Preston N.E.	1	Sunderland	1
Stoke C.	1	Liverpool	1
West Brom	1	Sheffield W.	1
Wolves	6	Chelsea	1

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley	2	Bradford C.	0
Bradford	2	Brentford	3
Hull	1	Norwich	0
Notts C.	3	Port Vale	0
Oldham	1	Burnley	2
Plymouth	5	Notts F.	2
Sheffield U.	1	Fulham	1
Southampton	1	Manchester U.	0
Swansea	2	Bolton	1
West Ham	2	Blackpool	1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth	1	Bristol C.	1
Bristol R.	3	Cardiff	2
Charlton	4	Aldershot	0
Exeter	1	Watford	0
Gillingham	1	Clapton	0
Luton	4	Newport	1
Northampton	1	Milwall	0
Southend	3	Brighton	2
Swindon	1	Crystal P.	1
Torquay	7	Queen's P.R.	0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	2	Darlington	1
Barrow	1	Lincoln	1
Crawley	1	Chester	1
Harlepool	4	Southport	1
Rotherham	1	Doncaster	3
Rochdale	3	Carlisle	1
Stockport	1	New Brighton	1
Tranmere	3	Mansfield	0
Walsall	4	Hullfax	1
Wrexham	2	Chesterfield	1
York	3	Gateshead	0

SCOTTISH DIVISION

Queen's Park	3	Partick	1
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U. S. BASEBALL

Phillies Trounced
By Giants

New York, Apr. 22. Only four games were played in the major baseball leagues today. In the National pennant championship New York Giants beat the Philadelphia Phillies while in the American League, Cleveland Indians won from Detroit Tigers, Boston Red Sox from Washington Senators and St. Louis Browns from Chicago White Sox.

National League

R. H. E.	
New York	8 15 0
Philadelphia	1 4 4

Melvin Ott scored a home run for the Giants and Camilli for the Phillies.

American League

Cleveland	5 12 0
Detroit	0 3 1
Willis Hudlin pitched for the Indians while Joe Vosmik scored a home run for the side.	
Boston	4 11 1
Washington	2 8 1

Chicago 5, 7, 0. St. Louis 6, 10, 1. Bonura scored two home runs for the Browns. — Reuter.

HOMING PIGEONS

In Fast Race

Shanghai, April 17. Fifty-seven birds owned by members of the Shanghai Homing Pigeon Club were released from Nanking at 8.30 a.m. on Monday, the winning bird covering the distance of 170 miles at a speed of 48.50 m.p.h. The following is the full result of the race.

- 1.—Dr. L. Mel-ling's Bird No. 2066. Velocity 1428.6 yards a minute.
- 2.—Dr. L. Mel-ling's Bird No. 2222. Velocity 1419.1 yards a minute.
- 3.—Jackson & Son's Bird No. 1314. Velocity 1410.6 yards a minute.

The following are the velocities of the first birds to home in other lots:

Yangtzepoo, velocity 1402.4; Western, velocity 1371.8. The above record results were received with great satisfaction by members of the club in view of the fact that shortly, for the first time in the history of the Club they will race from Tientsin.

THE UNIVERSITY
SPORTSCambridge Win A
Close Match

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, April 3. Cambridge won the University sports at the White City Stadium yesterday by 7 events to 4, although Oxford put up a great fight. With only three events to go the score was four all, and with a little more luck in the mile and putting the weight Oxford might have sprung a complete surprise and won 6-5.

A. G. K. Brown broke D. Macmillan's twenty-three years old 440 yds. record of 49.2-5 sec. and in the pole vault E. R. Webster broke L. T. Bond's English native record of 12 ft. 6½ in. by 1 in. Double victories were gained by K. S. Duncan, the Oxford president, in the 100 yds. and the long jump, his hon. secretary, A. G. Pilbrow, in the high and the low hurdles, and by J. C. Stothard, the Cambridge president, in the mile and the half, which resulted in a dead heat.

But for the continuous down-pour, records would probably have been set up in the half mile and in the weight. As it was, the rain merely made the field events men and officials miserable, for every performance, except in the high jump and possibly, the long jump and mile, approached the high standard forecast. For this the organisers deserve a good deal of credit. Not until the last event, the quarter, was there one of those pauses common to so many athletic meetings, and that was only due to the events getting ahead of schedule and the arrangements of the B.E.C.

AN INSPIRING START

Duncan gave his side an inspiring lead by winning the first event, the 100 yards. Considering that Oxford had not won this race for nine years and that C. J. E. Betty was considered in the highest Cambridge sprinting traditions, the excitement in the Oxford changing rooms can be imagined. Nervous tension produced three breaks, but once the starter had got the quartette away fairly, Duncan shot ahead. At 50 yards he was three yards up, and although Betty put in his famous finish, Duncan never looked like losing and breasted the tape 10 inches to the good.

R. S. O. Stevens (Oxford) ensured that the half should be fast by cutting out a good pace over the first quarter. Then Stothard and Sullivan drew away and made a stern all-Cambridge race of it until the last 10 yards when they seemed instinctively to decide that the game was not worth the candle considering that Stothard still had to win the mile. Consequently, the result was another of those apparently rather sentimental dead-heats. The time of 1 min. 55.2-5 sec. has only been beaten in the sports by K. Cornwallis, whose record N. E. Halliwell reduced by 3-5 sec. last year to 1 min. 54.1-5 sec. Yesterday's time was a great one for Sullivan, who has been ill and very reasonably earns him a full blue.

The keenly anticipated duel between Pilbrow and A. J. Fitzgerald in the 120 yards hurdles worked out rather tamely, Pilbrow having the advantage in length of leg, pace, and style, and winning convincingly by three yards in 15.3-5 sec.

On the other hand, nobody in England can show F. R. Webster points in polevaulting. W. H. Elkins, Oxford American winner last year, was beaten after clearing 11 ft., but Webster went on to lower the English native record at the second attempt. He failed to reach O. Sutermeister's 12 ft. 7 in. sports record once, and then stopped, conditions being too discouraging. It will be surprising, however, if Webster does not beat it in a year or two, and also become the first Englishman to clear 13 ft.

The score was now 2-2. Meanwhile A. Irfan and F. A. S. Gentry were renewing their weight-putting duel. Of last year, Gentry, the American, failing by a bare 6 in. to turn the tables on the Cambridge Turk, who got within 2 in. of W. W. Coe's 1902 record of 43 ft. 10 in.—great putting by both men from such a wet circle.

PILBROW AT HIS BEST

R. K. I. Kennedy, who normally might have beaten the high jump record, won at 5 ft. 8 in., the lowest winning effort since the war. There was some point, therefore, in Pilbrow's attempting to emulate Stanwood by winning three events in one day, for he has done 5 ft. 8½ in., but in the cold rain could manage only 5 ft. 6 in. In the low hurdles Pilbrow was really at his best, so that the opposition just looked clumsy, although actually C. R. Borland, his nominal first string, and C. P.

ENTHUSIASM SHOWN
BY POLO PLAYERS
Forthcoming Season Shows
Good Promise

(BY "KEPT OUT")

Shanghai, April 17. What a wonderful place Shanghai is, when you really come to think of it. Where else in the world can the impecunious office assistant hunt in the winter, play polo in the summer, and race in the spring and autumn, and find an audience for his horse talk all the year? Nowhere, I vow, so who wants to be anywhere else?

Anyhow the polo season is coming round again, and on Monday night the Shanghai Polo Club held its annual meeting in the guests' tin room at the race club. If anything there were more than the usual number of members present, a strong contingent from the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers swelling the throng and giving promise of another successful season like the past one. Numbers alone, however, could not fill the gap caused by the absence of "Jackie" Hayes, and only those who have played with and against this grand young veteran can know what a polo season without him will be, for his extraordinary keenness at all times and his wit when he has time to speak have endeared him to all, whilst his fame as an umpire and authority on the rules of the galloping game have spread far further afield than the confines of this fair city.

The first business before the meeting was the passing of the accounts for 1934, and in referring to the satisfactory state of the financial affairs of the club prominence was given to the great part played by Jack Greig who has literally worked wonders, and succeeded in putting the club on a really sound financial footing. Many of us there remember the days, recent days, too, when Greig was the Number One, and the greatest tribute that can be paid to him is that when a serious accident prevented him from playing, he immediately on his recovery put his shoulder to the wheel in a different sphere and steered the club successfully through very stormy waters.

Original Members

A. W. Burkill is in his happiest frame of mind when presiding at the meeting of any sporting club, and if his suggestion that he was playing polo before 80 per cent. of the members were born made a few of us feel a good deal younger for a minute or two, the truth of what he said drew attention to the fact that there are few original members of the Shanghai Polo to remind us of the time when they still shot snipe on the race course, and polo was little more than mounted hockey. His election as president for the forthcoming season was more of a riot than an election, and proved the appreciation, of members for all that he has done for the club. Mr. Burkill referred to the successful season last year, and on behalf of the club thanked the honorary secretary for all he had done, and also J. B. Manley for kindly acting again as honorary auditor. Whilst the ballot for the committee was taking place, the Chairman, Harold Robinson, answered various questions which were asked, and settled minor complaints by giving the growers the opportunity of improving the service which had not met with their approval in the past.

During the course of the meeting reference was made to the falling off in the numbers both of playing and non-playing members, and those interested in watching polo during the summer are reminded that for a very modest subscription they may be non-playing members, and make use of the stand, and enjoy the ordinary privileges of membership.

ARMY ASSOCIATION
CUP FINAL

London, April 22. In a high-scoring match at Aldershot to-day, the 4th Battalion Royal Tank Corps won for the first time in the history of the competition the Army Association Cup.

They defeated the 2nd Battalion Royal Ulsters in the final by six goals to three. This was also the first time the Royal Ulsters have appeared in the final.

Green had plenty pace. Thus the score now stood at 4-3 to Cambridge.

Without J. C. Horsfall, Cambridge were virtually bound to lose the long jump to Duncan, who duly repeated his 1932 victory with a good 22 ft. 9 in., to level the score again. Last year, Horsfall won at 1 in. further, but since then Duncan has done 23 ft. 7½ in., so that Oxford probably would have won this year, even with Horsfall in opposition.

If only Oxford could have pulled off the very open three-miles' race, they might have won the match. With L. R. MacIntyre refusing to let P. D. Ward head him for more than a few yards at a time between the one and a half and two and three-quarter mile stages, Oxford hopes ran high; but in the final quarter MacIntyre's effort of making almost two strides to Ward's one, told, and the Cambridge cross-country captain went away to win.

The mile nearly proved a catastrophe to Cambridge. Stothard, relying on his famous finish, which was too much even for W. Bonthron in the summer, found in the straight that he had met in W. T. Squire a faster finisher than Bonthron. From certain angles a tie looked the right result, but the judges know best, and "inches" was certainly the right verdict.

Any likelihood of the record falling had, of course, vanished by the unnecessarily fast 880 yards race. With the score now 6-4 Cambridge had won the match.

From the gun in the quarter there was never any doubt that a record time would result. A. G. K. Brown had filled out so much since his triumphant public schools' sports days, that a record-breaking term has not taken any apparent toll of his physique. He ran one pace throughout, with rather surprisingly short strides

AUTOMOBILE RACE AT
MONTE CARLO

Winner Beats Record

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Monte Carlo, April 22. A brilliant victory was won here on Monday at the international automobile race, the Grand Prix de Monaco when Luigi Fagiolli on a Mercedes Benz completed the 100 circuits around the castrò in 3 hours, 23 minutes and 49.8 seconds, thus beating the record established in 1933 by the Italian, Achille Varzi on a Bugatti of an average speed of 91.801 kilometres per hour while Fagiolli on Monday averaged 93.607.

The second place was won by Dreyfus on an Alfa Romeo and the third by Brivio likewise on an Alfa Romeo, both of whom were far behind the winner. — Transocean Kuo Min.

FOOTBALL "INTERNA-
TIONAL"

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Apr. 3. The first foreigner ever to referee an all-British Soccer International will officiate in the Wales-Ireland match at Wrexham on Wednesday.

He is Dr. P. Bauwens. Dr. Bauwens played for Germany against the first English touring side. That was in pre-war days.

Dr. Bauwens is a doctor of architecture. He belongs to one of the oldest firms of bridge and sport stadium builders in Cologne. He arranged the Germany-France international, the latest of which was played last Sunday. He was not present on Sunday as he was refereeing the Czechoslovakia-Switzerland match at Prague.

He speaks fluent English and French.

For such a large man, but there was never any straining, and only a suspicion of puffing at the end. He was the most impressive runner of the day, and must surely have a big influence, not only on University, but international athletics for several years.

LOCAL TENNIS

The Cousins To
Meet

With the end of the local tennis championships, organised by the Hong Kong Cricket Club drawing to a close, tennis enthusiasts will have the opportunity of seeing, in the course of the next ten days, the leading local lights in action.

To-day, the Rumjahn cousins who as a team have won the Doubles for the past ten years, will settle accounts between themselves, for the right of meeting G. R. M. Ricketts in the final of the Singles Championship on Friday, while on Wednesday, May 1, the cousins will meet Ho Ka Lau and W. C. Hung in the final of the Doubles.

The following is the programme:

To-day

Singles Semi-final—S. A. Rumjahn v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Friday, April 26

Singles Final—G. R. M. Ricketts v. Winner of above match.

Monday, April 29

Club Championship Final—E. L. H. Shute v. G. R. M. Ricketts.

Wednesday, May 1

Doubles Final—S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn v. W. C. Hung and Ho Ka Lau.

HOME RUGGER
RESULTS

London, April 22. The following were the results of rugby football matches played to-day:—

Bath	12	Old Merchant Taylors	8
Bridgend	12	Coventry	6
Bristol	18	Blackheath	3
Cardiff	3	Harlequins	13
Gloucester	17	Sale	6
Llanelli	21	Devonport Services	8
Manchester	9	North of Ireland	24
Newport	8	London Welsh	10
Penarth	17	Blackheath "A"	7
Plymouth Albion	3	Leicester	3
Pontypool	6	Northampton	9
Swansea	3	Barbarians	15
Waterloo	12	Birkenhead Park	20
Aberavon	11	Maesteg	0
Abertillery	9	Cross Keys	9
Neath	15	Middlesex Hospital	10

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GOOD BALL CONTROL

In Handball Match

Shanghai, Apr. 17.
The Shanghai open singles handball championship was virtually decided yesterday when, at the Foreign Y.M.C.A., K. Chu defeated M. Tchakalian by 2 games to 1. Through his defeat of Tchakalian, Chu has kept his unbeaten record and should now experience little difficulty in winning the championship. The match was hard fought and productive of some spectacular handball, both players showing good ball control, and points were seldom won without long rallies. Tchakalian's strength was in his right-hand low smashes which he seemed to be able to execute from all angles but his left-hand shots were extremely weak. The winner displayed better all round play than his opponent and thoroughly deserved to win. If only for the "great up-hill game" he played, "overhauling" Tchakalian in the deciding when the latter had taken a commanding lead at 12-8.

Chu began well, taking the first game at 21-12, but he fell away badly in the second, allowing his opponent to lead at 17-1, so that Tchakalian won 21-8. The deciding was very even at the start, the points being equal until the score reached 8-8, when Tchakalian made a run of four points to lead 12-8. Chu redoubled his efforts and from then onwards scored point after point, adding 13 points while conceding five to win game and match by 21-13.

NEW TENNIS STAR

Miss Hardwick As British Hope

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, Apr. 3.
Tall, fair-haired Miss Mary Hardwick, the 21-years-old daughter of a Wandsworth draper, is regarded by lawn tennis experts as a future Wimbledon Champion, writes a correspondent.

In the last few days she has blazed a brilliant trail in the Queen's Club tournament. There was a victory over Miss E. Harvey in the women's singles final, followed on Saturday by triumph in the mixed and women's doubles.

Although she has not fully developed her game—she is wise enough to recognise this—Miss Hardwick is potentially a greater player than either Miss. Lenglen or Mrs. Wills-Moody.

Miss Hardwick, who must obviously be in the running for a place in Britain's Wightman Cup team, tells me that she does not intend to overtax her strength. Very wisely, she has decided to play in not more than two tournaments a month.

The other two weeks she will devote to practice to cure the faults—if any—that she notices in match-play.

Miss Dorothy Round was 25 when, last July, she won the singles at Wimbledon. If she were to meet Miss Hardwick to-day, and both were in top form, she would probably win—but it would be a very close contest.

What are the features of Miss Hardwick's game? She has command of every shot in the game. Whether she has to play a rally from the baseline, from the half-court, or at close quarters, she can attack. She has fluent ground shots, a supple wrist for the difficult half-volleys, and a volley as deceptive and decisive as F. J. Perry's.

Miss Hardwick is a champion in the making. I feel certain that she will win the Wimbledon title before she is 24.

MONUMENT UNVEILED IN DUBLIN

De Valera Dwells On Independence

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)
Dublin, Apr. 22.
The disturbance feared when a memorial service was held here for those who fell in the insurrection on Easter Sunday in 1916, did not occur, the ceremony of unveiling the monument outside the Post Office where the insurgents fired the first shots of re-

RUNNING GUN BATTLE

Kidnapper Shot

Shanghai, April 19.
A running gun fight in a busy street, followed an apparent attempt at kidnapping yesterday morning, when French and International Settlement Police combined in a chase which resulted in the death of one of four bandits.

The affair was a bold one, but its objects are still obscure. A rapid alarm and a flustered gangster who found himself unable to drive a car led to the Police chase, while one or two people had lucky escapes. An Indian watchman's trousers being pierced by a bullet which did not wound the man.

Mr. Hans Berents, who last year faced a band of pirates at Paitaiho when armed with nothing more than a fishing knife, assisted in the chase, although unarmed on this occasion, and his efforts helped to distract the attention of a fleeing bandit, who fired two or three shots at Mr. Berents.

Avenue Foch Affair
The affair occurred outside Bills Motors, at the corner of Route Cardinal Mercier and Avenue Foch, at 8.53 a.m., when there was still a steady stream of traffic bound for town, and in consequence a number of people who might have been injured in the shooting. It was at this time that Mr. K. A. L. Suez (Sze Kiu Yung), chief salesman of Bills Motors, arrived outside his office in a car whose only other occupant was the chauffeur.

As the car slowed down, four Chinese approached. Before it had come to a stop, one of the four attempted to open the door beside the chauffeur.

Then, as soon as the car stopped, all four doors were opened simultaneously, one of the gang entering, through each. The bandits seated themselves one on each side of Mr. Suez, and one on each side of the chauffeur, whose face was slapped in order to make him move over.

It was the slapping of the chauffeur's face which drew the attention of Mr. Frank Hyatt, Russian mechanic employed by Bills Motors. Mr. Hyatt then saw a pistol produced by one of the gang, whereupon he immediately raised the cry of "jang-daw." The alarm led to a shot being fired, through a door of the car, by a bandit, the bullet penetrating the door and passing through the trousers of Barbara Singh, Indian watchman of Messrs. Bills Motors, who had come forward to open the door of the car.

Bandits Make Escape
At the same time the bandit sitting in the chauffeur's seat was attempting to set the car in motion, but did not meet with success. All he managed to do was to move the car jerkily. The four realized that they could not make off in the car, so they took to flight on foot, leaving Mr. Suez and the chauffeur in the car.

Mr. Hyatt started to give chase, but a shot from one of the four and a cry in Chinese, "Don't follow me," dissuaded him from following, the bullet having passed unpleasantly close to him. Three of the four turned down Route Cardinal Mercier where they managed to make good their escape.

The fourth man proceeded west on Avenue Foch, where Mr. Berents followed him for a little distance. At the same time a Chinese Police Constable, attached to Chengtu Road Station, S.M.P., who had heard the shooting, was hurrying to the scene. He ran along Avenue Foch and closed in on the bandit, a Chinese Constable of the French Police joining in at the corner of Avenue du Roi Albert, down which road the bandit turned, exchanging shots with the Police. He turned again, south into Rue Ratard, where two bullets from the S.M.P. constable took effect, hitting the man in the heart and chest and killing him immediately.

Investigations by the French Police have discovered nothing of the dead man's origin. His fingerprints and pistol identification photographs have no counterpart in the archives of the French Police or the S.M.P.

bellion passing off without any untoward incident. De Valera held a speech, declaring that in 1916 the Irish would have been satisfied with less than complete independence, but since 1916 this has been impossible. After the ceremony which was attended by immense crowds, de Valera reviewed 8,500 State troops drawn up on parade.

The Irish Republican Army which was dissatisfied with de Valera's policy, organised its own demonstration independently. This

BAD DAY FOR THE REDS

Government Troops In Pursuit

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Kweiyang, Apr. 14.
The repeated defeats and heavy casualties inflicted by the combined Central Government and Yunnan forces on the Reds in the neighbourhood of Kweiyang, provincial capital of Kweichow, have brought about the break-up of the main forces of the remnant Reds under Chu Teh and Mao Tse-Tung in southern Kweichow.

Military circles here reported that, in addition to several thousand killed more than 2,000 outlaws have been captured in the various encounters. Acting under instructions of General Chiang Kai-shek, reformatories have been established by the Kweiyang Pacification Headquarters for the captives along the lines of the Reformatories in Kinkiang. The Reformatories will aim at implanting in the Reds the San Min Chu Yi, the principles of citizenship, giving them a general education and teaching them the technique of useful trades.

The disorganization of the Reds was hastened by the death of Chu Teh, who, it is confirmed, was killed in action at Chutoushan, 27 miles north of Kweiyang, by the Government troops on April 3. His death has marked a general collapse in the morale of the Reds. Hundreds of the outlaws, who clung to their leaders while he was living, have since surrendered to the Government troops with their arms without any resistance.

Leaders Killed
The series of disasters which have overtaken the invading Reds in Kweiyang, started a fortnight ago when the marauders crossed the Wu Kiang (river) at a point north of Shiheng, 50 miles north of Kweiyang, on April 2. They were evidently attempting to escape into Hunan. Turning eastwards, however, they found themselves face to face with the combined Central Government and Yunnan troops at Shiheng, Shuwan and Chatsao and fierce engagement ensued. At the battle near the last-mentioned town, the Reds were dealt a grievous blow when Chu Teh, their leader, was slain at Chutoushan. Several other bandit leaders were also killed by the heavy Government artillery fire.

Retreat Checked
In the retreat the Reds could not do more than wrap the body of Chu Teh in a red cloth. In this way they reached Kalyang and Wengan, respectively 40 and 50 miles northeast and east of Kweiyang, only to find their retreat checked by the Government troops. The outlaws were now unable to move eastwards to join those under Hsiao Ke and Ho Lung in north-western Hunan as they had hoped. For two days, therefore, on the 6th and 7th, they aimlessly roamed hither and thither north of Lungli and Kweiyang, respectively 17 and 34 miles south-east of Kweiyang.

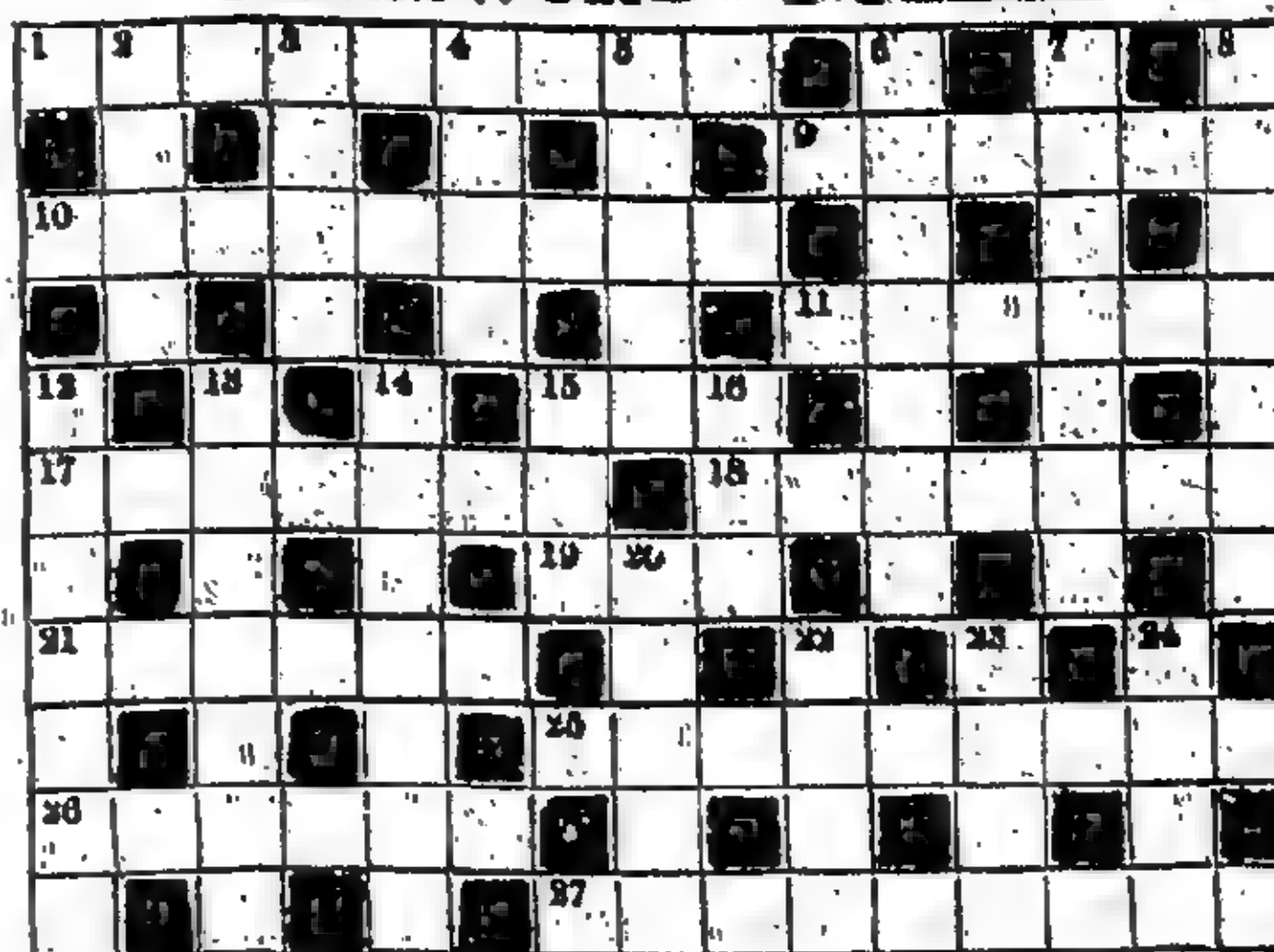
Fearing an envelopment by the Government troops, they then turned back and fled westwards by way of the Hsienma Ho (river). There, the Reds paid heavily in breaking through the cordon thrown by the Government troops. Over 4,000 outlaws are stated to have been killed in this engagement.

The Ironsides Act
On the 9th, the Reds suddenly advanced on Kweiyang. Two sanguinary battles were fought, one at Huangshihiao, about 15 miles south of Kweiyang, and another at Kuanyinshan only a short distance from the capital. The main forces of the Reds, completely routed by the Government's superior artillery, were forced to retreat southwards to Tsingyen, 17 miles south of the provincial capital. There they were caught up by the Government pursuit forces, who occupied Shihshuashan, near Tsingyen, on the evening of the 10th and Tsingken the next morning. The Reds then continued their flight south-westwards to Kwangshun, 40 miles south-west of Kweiyang.

In addition to the three Yunnan brigades who are giving chase to the fleeing marauders, the 4th Government Army (the famous "Ironsides") have taken a short cut to Anshun, 50 miles south of Kweiyang, to check their flight further westwards.

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event, however, passed off almost unheeded.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Note: Figures in parentheses indicate number of letters in the words required.

- Across**
- One who says what others think (9).
 - What we need is only for a time (6).
 - The man most wanted in an American election, being the sole voter (9).
 - This should be put down on all occasions (6).
 - Sounds like a good place for Scottish airmen (3).
 - On which one may write the solution, if (7).
 - The result is correct, but (7).
 - It may be, possibly, of no use! (3).
 - There may be a sound reason for this (6).
 - A good balance is needed to carry on a this with success (9).
 - Good hands are wanted for this work (6).
 - This being inclined to sit, we should get the "nest ready" (anagram) (9).
- Down**
- Kitty is a usual name for this (4).
 - It may arrest attention best by asking "What's a Scotsman's chest?" (4).
 - Most of us know this word, except its meaning! (4).
 - It's a narrow passage for all to be in it! (5).
 - The last of The Apostles (7).
 - One of those harassing bull-fighters (7).
 - A weaver. (You'll find it in one dictionary for certain!) (7).
 - A game for two people (7).
 - Sense (7).
 - Being impartial, is not influenced by either side (7).
 - Has an additional significance (3).
 - A pole used as a perch (3).
 - This is put together to make it become one (5).
 - We all put our foot in it at times, but (4).
 - We promptly turn this out of it, and that's pluck! (4).
 - This row is quite common amongst birds (4).
- The following is the solution of yesterday's puzzle:
- Across**—1. Elitist, 6. Immune, 10. Rest-ive, 11. Hectic, 12. Outstaid, 13. Skewers, 14. Lurch, 17. Error, 18. Fir-th, 19. Rages, 22. Proud, 25. Actuate, 29. Grim-go, 30. Ransom, 31. Erratic, 32. Dam-ask, 33. Medley.
- Down**—1. Ethel, 2. Incur, 3. Irish, 4. Reck, 5. Stew, 6. Iv-or, 7. Me-use, 8. Utter, 9. Elder, 14. Evict, 15. Extra, 19. Rigid, 20. Grimm, 21. Sages, 22. Peace, 23. Ousel, 24. Dummy, 26. Cork, 27. Upas, 28. (An)-Trim.

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Banks								
...	H.K. Banks	\$1,500
...	Bo. (London)	212 1/2
...	Chartered Bank	214 1/2
...	Maritime Bank	214 1/2
...	Do. (U.S.)	214 1/2
...	Bank of East Asia	214 1/2
...	N. O. & S. Bank	214 1/2
...	Am. O. & S. Bank	214 1/2
...	Ch. Fin. Corp. Ord. S.	214 1/2
...	Do. Prof. S.	214 1/2
Insurance								
...	Canton Insurance	\$350
...	Underwriters	\$120
...	Union Insurance	\$350
...	China Fire	\$400
...	H.K. Fire	\$210
...	International Assoc. S.	\$210
Shipping								
...	Douglas	\$38
...	Indos (prof.)	\$38
...	Indos (del.)	\$38
...	Shells	\$38
...	Waterboats	\$11
Mining								
...	Antamoks	80 cts
...	Balco	26 cts
...	Baiguo Gold	\$11
...	Benguet Consolidated	15 cts
...	Do. Exploration	10 cts
...	Do. Goldfield	10 cts
...	Big Wedge	9 cts
...	Gold River	30 cts
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...	Do. (Rights)	15 cts
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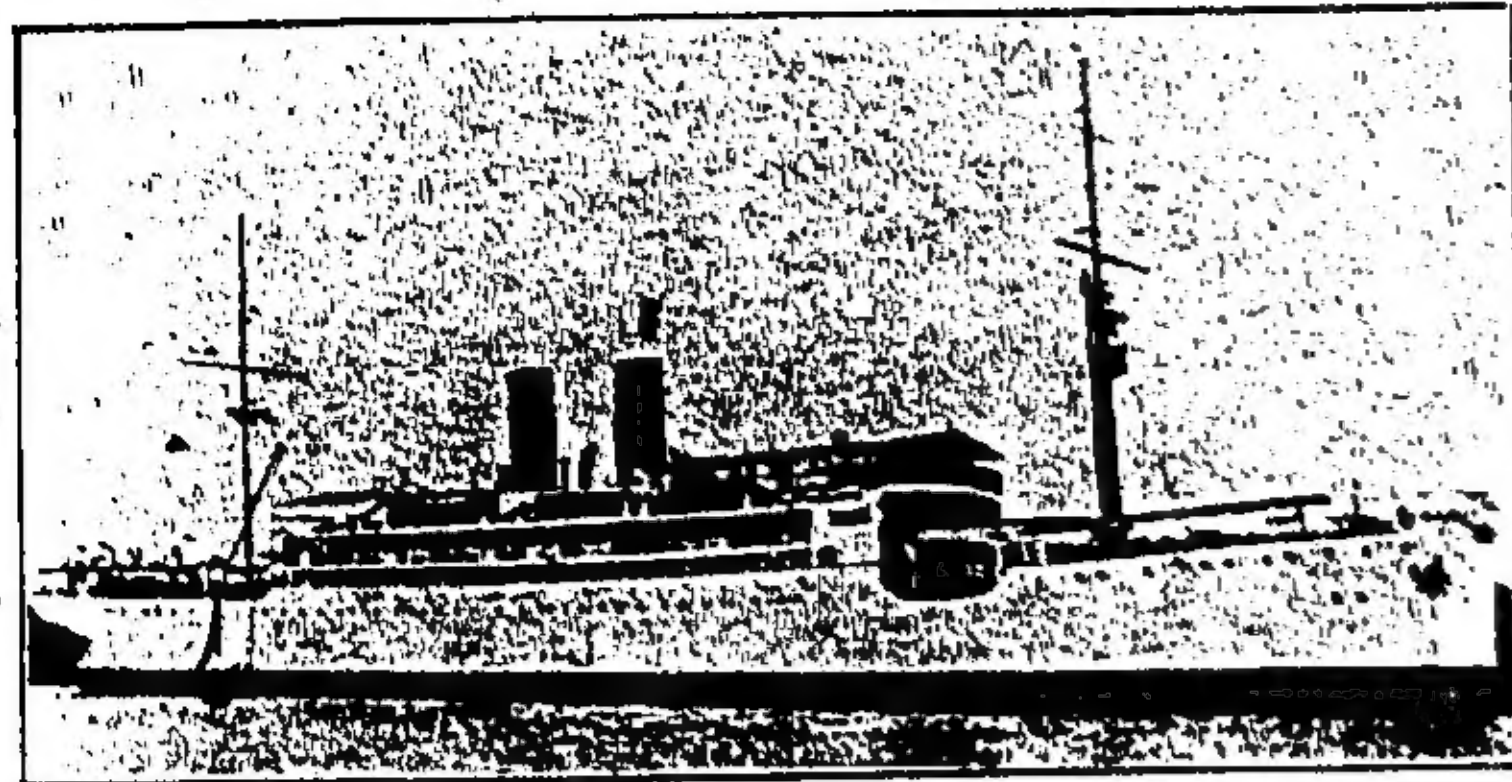
QUOTATIONS

New York: April 23.	High	Low	Close	Today's	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	4.84 1/2	4.84	4.85	4.85	Unchanged very
New York Cotton—July	11.70	11.60	11.65	11.65	.05 off
New York Rubber—July	12.07	11.98	11.98	11.98	.11 up
Chicago Wheat—May	10.9 1/2	10.9 1/2	10.9 1/2	10.9 1/2	.02 up
Chicago Corn—May	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	.02 up
Montreal Silver—May	—	—	88.05	88.05	Market closed
Silver—Official	—	—	67 1/2	67 1/2	Unchanged

Dow Jones Averages	High—1833 1/4	Low: Apr. 20.	Apr. 21.	Change
30 Industrials	110.78	109.78	110.27	.51 up
90 Rails	86.94	86.72	86.84	.12 up
30 Utilities	37.72	37.67	37.67	.05 up
40 Bonds	95.99	95.72	95.72	.27 up
11 Commodity Index	88.45	88.38	88.34	—

Stock & Div.	Last Sale	Apr. 20	Apr. 22	Stock & Div.	Last Sale	Apr. 20	Apr. 22
Adams Express	5 1/2	5 1/2		Gold Dust (1.20)	16 1/2	16 1/2	
Alaska Jun (1.00a)	16 1/2	16 1/2		Goodyear	19 1/2	18 1/2	
Allis Chalmers	26 1/2	26 1/2		Int. Cement	26 1/2	27	
Am. Brake Shoe	39 1/2	39 1/2		Int. Harv (.60)	39 1/2	39 1/2	
(80)	26 1/2	26 1/2		Int. Nick (.60)	26 1/2	26 1/2	
Amer. Can (4)	121 1/2	121		Int. Tel. & Tel	7 1/2	8 1/2	
Am. Comm. Alcohol	46 1/2	46 1/2		Johns. Manville	46 1/2	46 1/2	
(25)	17 1/2	17 1/2		Kennecott (.15)	17 1/2	17 1/2	
Am. Cyanamid "B"	25 1/2	25 1/2		Krog. Gro. (1.50s)	25 1/2	25 1/2	
(25d)	3 1/2	3 1/2		Lehman (2.40)	75	74 1/2	
Am. For. Pwr	37 1/2	37 1/2		Liq. Carb. (1)	30 1/2	30 1/2	
Am. For. Pwr. 37 1st	37 1/2	37 1/2		Loew's (1)	37 1/2	38 1/2	
Pf.	17 1/2	18		Lorill (1.20)	21	21 1/2	
Am. Locomotive	12 1/2	12		McIntyre (2 1/2)	43 1/2	43 1/2	
Am. Metal Co.	18 1/2	18 1/2		Mont. Ward	25 1/2	25 1/2	
Am. Radiator	13 1/2	13 1/2		Nat. Bisc. (2)	28 1/2	28 1/2	
Am. Smelting	38 1/2	38		Nat. City Bk. (1)	21 1/2	21 1/2	
Am. Sug. Ref (2)	110	111 1/2		Nat. Da. P. (1.20)	15	15	
Am. T. and T. (9)	110	111 1/2		Nat. Distillers	27 1/2	28	
Am. Tob "B" (5)	82 1/2	82 1/2		Nat. Pwr. Lt. (.80)	7 1/2	8 1/2	
Am. Waterworks (1)	11 1/2	11 1/2		Nat. Steel (1)	48	49	
Am. Waterworks 36	61 1/2	62 1/2		N.Y. Central	16	16 1/2	
pref (6)	12	12		N. Amer. (.50c 4 1/2s)	13 1/2	14 1/2	
Anaconda Copper	12	12		Otis Elec. (.60)	12 1/2	13 1/2	
Atch. T. and S. F.	39 1/2	39 1/2		Pac. Gas (1.50)	17 1/2	18	
(25d.)	24 1/2	24 1/2		Pac. Lng. (3)	24 1/2	25 1/2	
Atlantic Ref (1)	24 1/2	24 1/2		Packard Motors	3 1/2	4	
Atlas Corp.	8 1/2	8 1/2		Pennroad Corp.	1 1/2	1 1/2	
Auburn Automobile	21	22 1/2		Penn. Ry. (1)	20 1/2	20 1/2	
Baltimore & Ohio	11	11		Phil. Petro (1)	18 1/2	19	
Bendix Aviation	16 1/2	15 1/2		Pierce Arrow	—	—	
Bethlehem Steel	27	26 1/2		Pub. Ser N.J. (2.80)	27 1/2	28 1/2	
Boeing Airplane	8	7 1/2		Radio Corp.	5	5	
Borden Co. (1.60)	24 1/2	24 1/2		Repub Steel	12 1/2	12	
Borg. Warner (1d)	35	34 1/2		Rey. Tob "B" (3)	47 1/2	48 1/2	
Case	54 1/2	55 1/2		Schenley	25	25 1/2	
Canadian Pacific	10 1/2	10 1/2		Sears Roebuck	37 1/2	37 1/2	
Caterpillar Tract	43	42 1/2		Shell Union Oil	—	—	
Ch. Nat. Bk. (1.40)	21 1/2	21 1/2		Stimmons Co.	8 1/2	8 1/2	
C'Peake Corp. (2.50)	41 1/2	42		Soc. Vac. (.60)	14	13 1/2	
C'Peake Corp. and	42 1/2	42 1/2		Srn. Cal. Ed. (.50)	14 1/2	14 1/2	
Ohio (2.80)	42 1/2	42		Southern Pacific	15 1/2	15 1/2	
Chrysler (1d)	38 1/2	38		Southern Ry.	10 1/2	10 1/2	
Col. Gas & Elec.	8 1/2	8 1/2		Stan. Brands (1)	15 1/2	15 1/2	
Comm. Solv. (.60)	20 1/2	21 1/2		Stan. Gas	3 1/2	3 1/2	
Comm. Sthrn.	1 1/2	1 1/2		Sta. Oil Cal. (1)	32 1/2	33	
Comm. Sthrn. 36	39	40 1/2		Sta. Oil N.J. (1)	41 1/2	42 1/2	
cum. Pf. (6)	39	40 1/2		Ster. Pro. (2.80)	65	65 1/2	
Congo-Naim (1.60)	22	22 1/2		Studebaker Corp.	21	20 1/2	
Cons. Gas. N.Y. (2)	8 1/2	8 1/2		Texas G. Sulp (2)	32 1/2	32 1/2	
Cons. Oil (.28)	19 1/2	19 1/2		Transamerica (1.12)	5 1/2	5 1/2	
Cont. Oil (.25)	19 1/2	19 1/2		Un. Car. and Carb	52	52 1/2	
Corn Prod (3)	67 1/2	67 1/2		(1.40)	52	52	
Coty Inc.	5 1/2	5 1/2		Un. Pac. Rlys. (6)	90 1/2	90	
Cum. "Cork 32.70 P.	47 1/2	47 1/2		Un. Aircraft Corp.	13	12 1/2	
(2.70)	24 1/2	24 1/2		Un. Air Line Trans.	5 1/2	5 1/2	
Curtiss Wright	8 1/2	8 1/2		Un. Corp.	2 1/2	2 1/2	
Curtiss Wright "A"	8 1/2	8 1/2		Un. Gas Impr. (1.20)	12 1/2	13 1/2	
Delaware & Hudson	23	23 1/2		Univ. Leaf Tob. (2)	56	56	
Douglas Aircraft	98 1/2	97 1/2		U.S. Pipe Fdry. (.50)	—	—	
Eu Pont (2.60c)	98 1/2	97 1/2		U.S. Rubber	12 1/2	12 1/2	
East Kodak (4)	22 1/2	22 1/2		U.S. Rub. 33 1st Pf.	31 1/2	31 1/2	
East. Autolite Co.	22 1/2	22 1/2		U.S. Steel	33 1/2	33 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share	7 1/2	7 1/2		U.S. Steel 37 Pf. (2)	—	—	
Elec. Bond 45 Pf (3)	45 1/2	45 1/2		Vandium	12 1/2	13 1/2	
Elec. Bond 35 Pf (4)	50 1/2	51		Vick Chem (2.40c)	36 1/2	36	
Elec. Power & Light	2 1/2	2 1/2		Warner Bros. Picta.	3 1/2	3 1/2	
Ex Film "A"	9 1/2	9 1/2		West. Union Tel.	—	—	
Gen. Elec. (.60)	24 1/2	24 1/2		West Air Brake (1)	20 1/2	20 1/2	
Gen. Foods (1.80)	35 1/2	35 1/2		West E. & M. (.65)	41 1/2	42 1/2	
Gen. Motors (1d)	31 1/2	31 1/2		Woolworth (2.40)	5 1/2	5 1/2	
Gen. Ry. Sigs (1)	22	24		Call Money	1 1/2	1 1/2	
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PURCHASE OF GOLDFIELDS

Russia Confirms Agreement

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, April 3.

A telegram was received yesterday by Lena Goldfields, Limited, in London notifying the official confirmation by the Soviet People's Committee of the agreement of November 4 between the Soviet Government and the company.

The agreement provides for the payment of £3,000,000 for the purchase and taking over of the whole of the company's business in Russia. There will be paid £50,000 in cash, and the balance will be spread over 20 years by half-yearly instalments, without interest, two-thirds of the amount to be paid in the first 10 years and one-third in the second 10 years.

All the negotiations have been carried out in consultation with committees representing the various classes of creditors, and as it was clear at an early stage that every one associated with the company would have to suffer material loss, it was considered equitable to divide any sum received as to two-thirds to the creditors and one-third to the shareholders.

Yesterday a summons was taken out to obtain the direction and approval of the Court with regard to the scheme. The Court, if it concurs, will then order the necessary meetings of shareholders of the company to be held. The Soviet Government have stipulated that the settlement should be considered satisfactory by all the parties concerned.

AN AWARD IGNORED

When the Soviet Government cancelled the concessions which the company held for valuable gold and other metal ore fields in Russia the company referred the case to arbitration in London, and in 1930 were awarded £13,000,000. The award was ignored by the Soviet Government, and they have always refused since to recognize it.

Negotiations begun in July of the following year broke down in September because the Soviet representatives would only make what Mr. Baldwin described, in a statement giving the history of the case and the attitude of the British Government to the matter, as a "purely derisory" offer of £300,000.

Representations were made by the British Government to the Soviet Government and the matter was discussed unofficially by the British Ambassador in Moscow with M. Kameneff, the then president of the Chief Concessions Committee. M. Kameneff refused to submit to his Government any figure beyond £1,000,000.

In December, 1933, the company were recommended to negotiate on the basis of a reduction of their figure to £3,500,000—representing approximately the proved capital losses of the company after taking into account all counter-claims put forward on behalf of the Concessions Committee—and an increase of the Soviet Government offer of £1,000,000. In July of the following year Mr. A. G. Marshall went to Moscow on behalf of the company, and after some months of negotiation the final settlement was reached.

The chairman of the company, Mr. Herbert Guedalla, and Major F. W. D. Gwynne have been principally responsible for pressing the company's claims.

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BRQS.

Silver prices rose 3/16 over the holidays, the quotations being 30 15/16 for Ready and 31 1/16 for Forward. Silver advances attributed the rise to speculative buying. The market closed firm with business done at 3/16 over the quoted rates. In America the rate was quoted at 87 1/2 for Spot.

The New York/London cross-rate opened at 4.85 and closed at the same rate.

Market.

Opened steady but subsequently firmed up.

Sterling

There were sellers after the opening at 2/2 3/16, buyers bidding 2/2 1/2 leading to business subsequently at 2/2 5/16 for June and near followed by transactions at 2/2 1/2 for April, May, June and 2/2 7/16 for June and July. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 2/2 5/16 cash, 2/2 1/2 May/June and 2/2 7/16 July, buyers at 2/2 7/16 April/June and 2/2 1/2 July.

U. S. Dollars

Business was done at 53 5/16 for May and 53 7/16 for June. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 53 1/2 April/May and 53 1/2 June, buyers probably at 53 5/16 cash/May and probably 53 7/16 for June.

Shanghai Dollars.

Sellers were quoted at 133 1/2 for near delivery.

Shanghai Market.

Early advices indicated sellers at 1/7 1/2 for near and 1/7 9/16 for June. Subsequently the market rose to 1/7 1/2 for near and 1/7 11/16 June. Towards 1 p.m. the market was a shade easier with sellers only at 1/7 11/16 for near and 1/7 1/2 June. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 39 1/2 for near, rising subsequently to 40 for June and retreating later to 39 13/16 for near and 39 11/16 May. Steady but quiet.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The market was firmer in the afternoon.

Sterling

In Sterling business was done at 2/2 7/16 for June and May and later 2/2 1/2 was also arranged for June and second half May. The market closed with sellers at 2/2 7/16 April/May and 2/2 1/2 June, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U. S. Dollars

Business was reported at 53 7/16 for July delivery. The market closed with sellers at 53 1/2 April/May and 53 1/2 June, buyers probably at 1/16 higher respectively.

Shanghai Dollars

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LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE)

On	Sterling Parity	Apr 16	Apr 17
Amsterdam	12.10 Florins	7.19 1/2	7.19
Athens	375 Drachmas		
Belgrade	270.316 Dinars		
Berlin	20.40 Marks	12.05 1/2	12.05
Bombay	1s. 6d. per Rupee	1/6 1/2	28.65
Brussels	36 Belgas	28.65	482 1/2
Bucharest	813.888 Lei		
Buenos Aires	47.56d. per Peso		
Copenhagen	18.159 Kroner	15.00	15
Geneva	35.234 Francs		
Helsingfors	193.23 Marks		
Hongkong		2/2 1/2	2/2
Liabon	110 Escudos		
Madrid	26.234 Pesetas	35 1/2	35 1/2
Milan	92.45 Lire	58 7/16	58 7/16
Montevideo	50.88d. per Peso		
Montreal	4.867 Dollars	4.86 1/2	4.86 1/2
New York	18.159 Kroner	4.85 1/2	4.85 1/2
Oslo	194.21 Francs	40 1/2 S.O.	40 1/2
Paris	104.25 Francs	73 19/32	73 37/64
Prague	104.25 Kronen	116 1/2	116
Rio de Janeiro	20.29d. per Gold		
Singapore		1/7 11/16	
Stockholm	18.159 Kroner		
Vienna	34.561 Schillings		
Yokohama	24.56d. per Yen	1/2 1/2	1/2
Silver (spot)		30 15/16	30 1/2
Silver (forward)		1/16	30 1/2
War Loan	2 1/2%	3 1/4% 106 11/16	3 1/4% 107 1/2

Closing Quotations

April 23 1935

On LONDON:—	On NEW YORK:—
Telegraphic Transfer...	Bank Bills, on demand 52
Bank Bills, on demand 52 1/2	Credit, 30 days' sight, 53 1/2
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight 52 1/2	On demand 77 1/2
Credit, 4 months' sight 52 1/2	On PARIS:—
On SHANGHAI:—	Bank Bills, on demand 78 1/2
On demand 131	Credit, 4 months' sight 79 1/2
On SINGAPORE:—	On SAIGON:—
On demand 81 1/2	On demand 78 1/2
On JAPAN:—	On MANILA:—
On demand 182	On demand 104
On INDIA:—	On BANGKOK:—
Telegraphic Transfer...	On demand 88 1/2
Bank, on demand 142	SOVEREIGNS, Bank Buying
	Rate 3/4 1/2
	BANK SILVER, per oz. 30 15/16

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BUYERS

Douglases, \$38.
Waterboils, \$11.
Hotels, \$4.40.
Humphreys, \$9.10.
Ewos, \$8.10.
Peak Trams (old), \$84.
Providents (old), \$1.
Lights, \$9.45.
Electric, \$84.
Cements, \$1.80.
Cements (Converted), \$7.20.
Entertainments, \$5.
Constructions (old), \$1.40.
Constructions (new), 40 cts.
Gold \$ Bonds, 92%.
Govt. Loan 3 1/2%, 2%.

SALES

Cemexes, \$1.70/1.90.

THE RUBBER MARKET

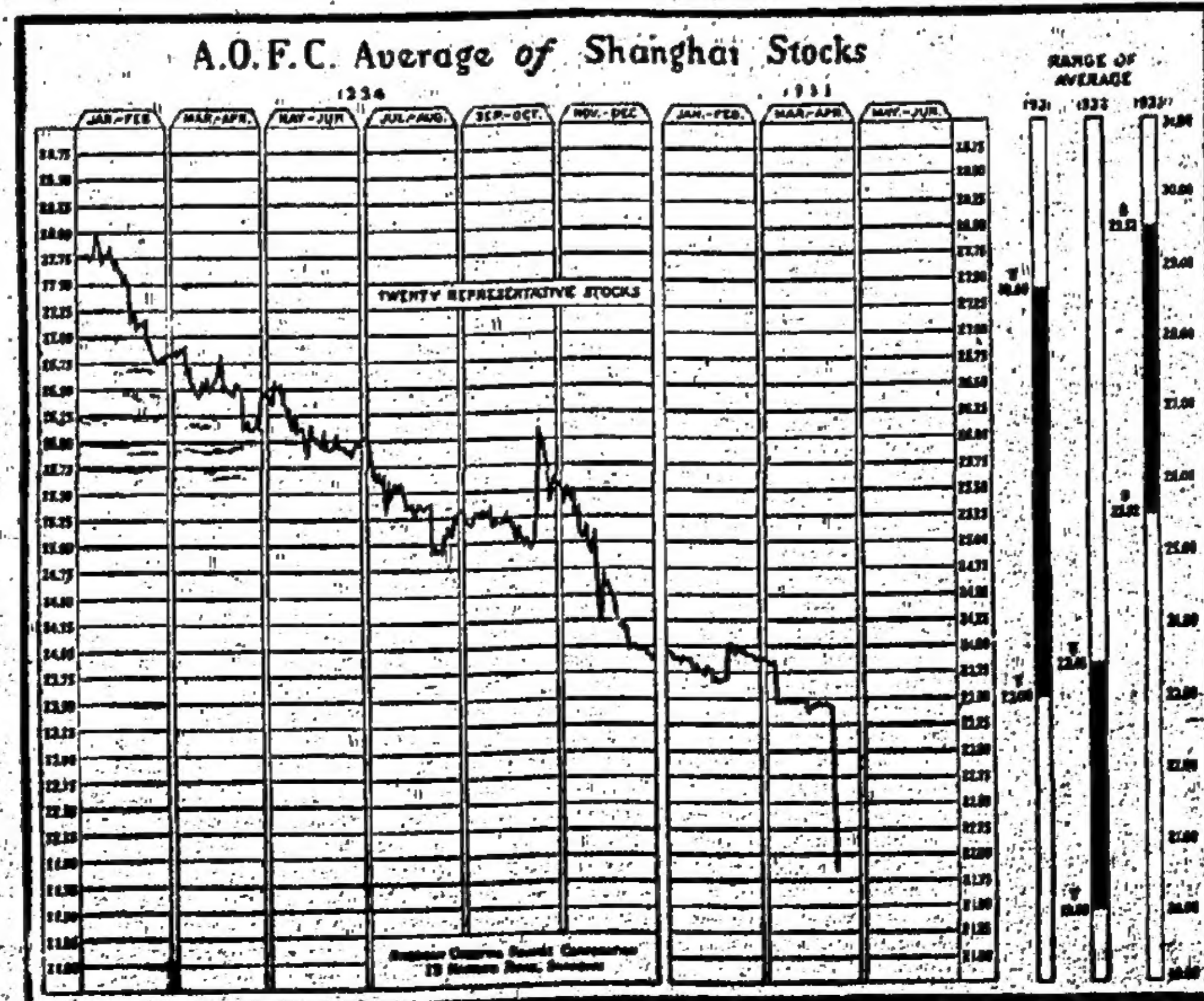
Singapore Prices

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., received the following Straits Currency quotations from Singapore for Raw Rubber.
Spot 19 1/2 up 1/2
July/Sept. 20 1/2 up 1/2
Oct./Dec. 21 1/2 up 1/2
Market—Steady.
Selling price 1/4 cent higher on all positions.
BENJAMIN AND POTTS
Messrs. Benjamin and Potts have received the following Straits currency quotations (buyers) from Singapore yesterday for raw rubber.
Spot 19 1/2 up 1/2
May/June 19 1/2 up 1/2
July/Sept. 20 1/2 up 1/2
Oct./Dec. 21 1/2 up 1/2
Market—Quiet.

SHANGHAI MARKET COMMENT

With the exception of debentures, there was little of interest on the local Stock Exchange last Tuesday; business was done in Shanghai Water Works 6% 1932 debentures at 115 100 for cash, while Telephones and Powers changed hands also for cash. One parcel of Two Mills were done at \$8.40 for cash unofficially. After several days of dull trading official business was done on Saturday in Powers, Telephones and Trams but the turnover was not large. 300 Union Mobilieres XD

for 23 cash changed hands on the same day. A considerable part of the business again consisted of transactions in debentures on the next business day, the general market turnover being very small. The total turnover amounting to 1,035 shares and 120 bonds. A general undertone of firmness could be noted on the Chinese Government Bond Market during the week under review. Business was very quiet and with the exception of three issues the whole list registered net gains. One of



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Pres. Coolidge June 18, Noon
Pres. Pierce July 2, M'night

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Pres. McKinley May 11, 1 a.m.
Pres. Grant May 25, 1 a.m.
Pres. Jefferson June 7, M'night
Pres. Jackson June 21, M'night

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Pres. Harrison Apr. 27, 8 a.m.
Pres. Hayes May 11, 8 a.m.
Pres. Johnson May 25, 8 a.m.
Pres. Monroe June 8, 8 a.m.
Pres. Van Buren June 22, 8 a.m.

MANILA

THE MOST FREQUENT SERVICE

Next Sailings
Pres. Harrison Apr. 27, 8 a.m.
Pres. Cleveland Apr. 30, 8 p.m.
Pres. McKinley May 4, 8 p.m.
Pres. Hoover May 9, 8 p.m.
Pres. Hay May 11, 8 a.m.

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CONSIGNEE NOTICE

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All claims must be sent in to us on or before the 30th instant or they will not be recognized.
Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 26th April, 1935.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyor.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Hong Kong 20th April, 1935. [9453]

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

WEEKLY REPORT

The market, after the Easter holidays, opened pretty steady with a fair amount of business done. There are enquiries for China Lights and Hotels at 39 1/2 and 34 1/2 respectively, but shares are unobtainable. A large number of Cantons was done at the reduced rate of \$215 and Cements at \$7.40. Banks, owing to the rise in Exchange are being offered at \$1160 without attracting buyers.

Manila stocks have had a further drop.

Buyers
Hotels, \$4.40.
Hongkong Lands, \$39.
Humphreys, \$9.10.
China Lights, \$9.45.
Govt. 4% Loan, 6 1/2% Prem.

Sellers
Hongkong Banks, \$1160.
New Engineerings, \$8. 3/4.
Sandakan Lights, \$7.

Sales
Bank of East Asia, \$81.
Canton Insurance, \$215.
Bagulo Gold, 25 cts.
H. K. Land 4% Debentures, 100.
Hongkong Trams, \$14.
China Lights, \$9.10.
Electric, \$84.
Cements (Converted), \$7.40.
Dairy Farms, \$17.
Watechs, \$34.
Govt. 4% Loan, 6 1/2% Prem.
Govt. 3 1/2% Loan, 2 1/2% Prem.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th April, 1935, will be subject to suit.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th May, 1935, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

22nd April, 1935. [9456]

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th April, 1935, will be subject to suit.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th May, 1935, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th April, 1935, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hong Kong, 18th April, 1935. [9446]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel "MEN LAUS" FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into Hols' Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Hols' Wharf.

The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 22nd April. Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

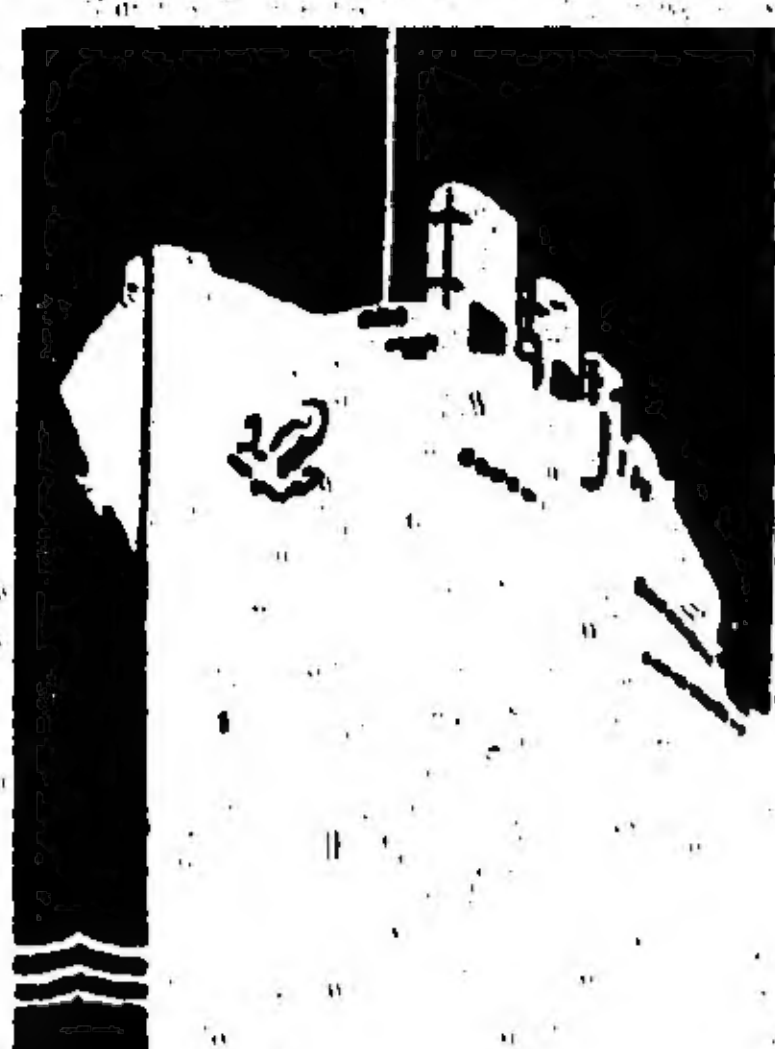
All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th April, will be subject to suit.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th May, 1935, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

22nd April, 1935. [9456]



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via
SHANGHAI and JAPAN

**12.00 NOON
FRIDAY, MAY 3rd**

Steamers	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Nagasaki	Kobe	Yokohama	Honolulu	Victoria
Emp. of Japan	May 17	May 19	May 22	May 24	May 26	May 28	May 30
Emp. of Asia	May 31	June 2	June 4	June 6	June 8	June 10	June 12
Emp. of Canada	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 22	June 24	June 26
Emp. of Russia	June 28	June 30	July 2	July 4	July 6	July 8	July 10
Emp. of Japan	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 20	July 22	July 24

TO MANILA
 EMPRESS OF RUSSIA ... April 25th.
 EMPRESS OF JAPAN ... May 10th.
 EMPRESS OF ASIA ... May 23rd.

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 HIKAWA MARU (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 30th May
 HIYE MARU (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 3rd June

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM
 KASHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 27th Apr.
 YASUKUNI MARU ... Friday, 10th May
 HAKONE MARU ... Saturday, 25th May

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Ports.
 KAMO MARU ... Saturday, 27th Apr.
 KITANO MARU ... Saturday, 28th May

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.
 MAYEASHI MARU (Calls Karachi) Sunday, 28th Apr.
 LISBON MARU (Calls Karachi) Monday, 8th May
 QINYO MARU ... Saturday, 11th May

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
 BOKUYO MARU ... Wednesday, 12th June

NEW YORK via Panama.
 NABUTO MARU ... Thursday, 9th May
 NAGARA MARU ... Tuesday, 4th June

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus.
 GENOA and Valencia.
 TOYOOKA MARU ... Wednesday, 15th May

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
 TOTTORI MARU ... Monday, 29th Apr.
 TSUSHIMA MARU ... Tuesday, 7th May
 FENANG MARU ... Wednesday, 15th May

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D'ARTAGNAN ... 18th May	CHENONCEAUX ... 21st May
ATHOS II ... 1st June	D'ARTAGNAN ... 4th June
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Daily Statement, Clearances,
Ships in Harbour, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS

IMPORTS 3,100 TONS.
THROUGH CARGO 8,400 TONS

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British	Cargo for Through H.K. Ports.
Soochow.	—
Canton.	250
Mabel Moller.	—
Keelung.	—
Nanchang.	—
Canton.	—
American	—
City of Dalhart.	750
Shanghai.	10
Danish	—
Clara Jepsen.	—
Canton.	—
Dutch	—
Cremer.	—
Singapore.	1,062
—	1,062
French	—
Felix Roussel.	128
Shanghai.	856
—	128
Japanese	—
Rio de Janeiro Maru.	—
Kobe.	4,876
Madras Maru.	688
Samarang.	2,313
—	688
Chinese	—
Tehkam.	550
Holhow.	550
—	550
Total	3,178
—	8,400

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Cremer (Dut.), Singapore	677
Felix Roussel (Fr.), Shanghai	48
Total	723

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:—

British	Arr.	Dep.
American	3	5
Danish	1	0
Dutch	1	2
French	1	0
Japanese	2	1
Chinese	1	5
Total	10	13

WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following warships were in port yesterday:—

Basin—Tamar.	—
North Wall—Cicala, Sandwich.	—
South Wall—Diamond, Darling.	—
East Wall—Parthian and Odin.	—
North Arm—Medway, & S/Ma.	—
West Wall—Hermes, Duncan.	—
Delight.	—
Talkoo Dock—Otus.	—
Cosmopolitan Dock—Perseus.	—
No. 2 Buoy—Adventure.	—
No. 3 Buoy—Cornwall.	—
No. 12 Buoy—Brace.	—
No. 13 Buoy—Grimsby, Lowes.	—
toft.	—

VESSELS DUE

Agra, Gilman's, May 28.
 Ajax, B. & S., May 10.
 Alster, Melchers', May 10.
 Antenor, B. & S., April 21.
 Anyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
 Asama Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
 Bellerophon, B. & S., May 1.
 Benaroch, Gibb's, May 2.
 Bintang, East Asiatic Co., May 8.
 Bonnevill, Jepsen's, May 3.
 Bremerhaven, Melchers', April 25.
 Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., April 24.
 Chanconco, Messageries', May 4.
 City of Bristol, Bank Line, May 9.
 City of Eastbourne, Bank Line, May 7.
 City of Wellington, Bank Line, May 4.
 Conte Rosso, Lloyd Triestino, May 4.
 D'Artagnan, Messageries', May 18.
 Deli Maru, O.S.K., April 27.
 Donau, Melchers', May 31.
 Empress of Asia, C.P.S., May 22.
 Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 10.
 Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., April 24.
 Frideland, Melchers', May 7.
 General Sherman, States Co., May 17.
 Glenora, Jardine's, May 1.
 Golden Mountain, States Co., May 1.
 Haiching, Douglas', April 23.
 Hector, B. & S., May 23.
 Iowa, States Co., April 27.
 Irishbank, Bank Line, May 22.
 Javanese Prince, Furness', May 3.
 Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 28.
 Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.
 Mayebashi Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
 Nanking, Gilman's, April 28.
 Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., April 29.
 Neptune, Gibb's, May 15.
 Nora Maersk, Jepsen's, April 23.
 Oder, Melchers', April 27.
 Oliva, Jepsen's, May 19.
 Patroclus, B. & S., May 8.
 Peter Maersk, Jepsen's, May 10.
 Perseus, B. & S., May 20.
 Pleasantville, Bank Line, April 23.
 Portbos, Messageries', May 7.
 President Cleveland, Dollar's, April 29.
 President Harrison, Dollar's, April 26.
 President Jackson, A.M. Line, April 26.
 Pyrrhus, B. & S., May 7.
 Rajputana, P. & O., May 15.
 Ranchi, P. & O., May 3.
 Ramess, Jepsen's, April 26.
 Ranpura, P. & O., May 1.
 Saarbucksen, Melchers', May 5.
 Santhia B.I. (Apar), May 14.
 Shanting, Gilman's, May 3.
 Silvercypress, Furness', May 19.
 Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), April 24.
 Somali, P. & O., May 13.
 Somerville, Bank Line, May 21.
 Soudan, P. & O., April 26.
 Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
 Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
 Taijima Maru, O.S.K., April 27.
 Tallyhuss, R. & S., May 9.
 Taiping, B. & S., May 9.

CLEARANCES

23RD APRIL.

Tjisalak, for Muntok
 Felix Roussel, for Saigon
 G. G. Paul Doumer, for Haiphong
 Kamo, for Samarinda
 Tung Cheng, for Saigon
 Laganbank, for Yawata
 Rio de Janeiro Maru, for Singapore
 Hai Shang, for Saigon
 Prominent, for Saigon
 Breiviken, for Saigon
 Hupeh, for Shanghai
 Wing Wo, for K. C. Wan
 Tinkow, for Saigon
 Sumatra, for Shanghai
 Calcutta Maru, for Yokohama
 Madras Maru, for Shanghai
 Mabel Moller, for Saigon
 Hai Ning, for Swatow
 Baron Douglas, for Saigon
 Mepelaus, for Shanghai

FOREIGN

U. S. S. Tulsa.
 Japanese—Hsu.
 Movements:—H.M.S. Decoy, Diana.
 Dainty and Defender are expected back in the Colony this afternoon from Kwang Chow Wan.

ARRIVALS

23RD APRIL

Seistan, British steamer, 1,571 tons, Captain J. Crosthwaite, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.
 Tin Seng, Chinese steamer, 943 tons, Captain Leung Pat, from K. C. Wan, Salkong Wharf.—Tai Fung & Co.
 C. Henri Riviere, French steamer, 1,355 tons, Captain P. B. Morganti, from Swatow, buoy No. B23.—Sung Kee.
 Bremerhaven, German steamer, 917 tons, Captain Teuf, from Labaul, Kowloon Wharf.—Melchers & Co.
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